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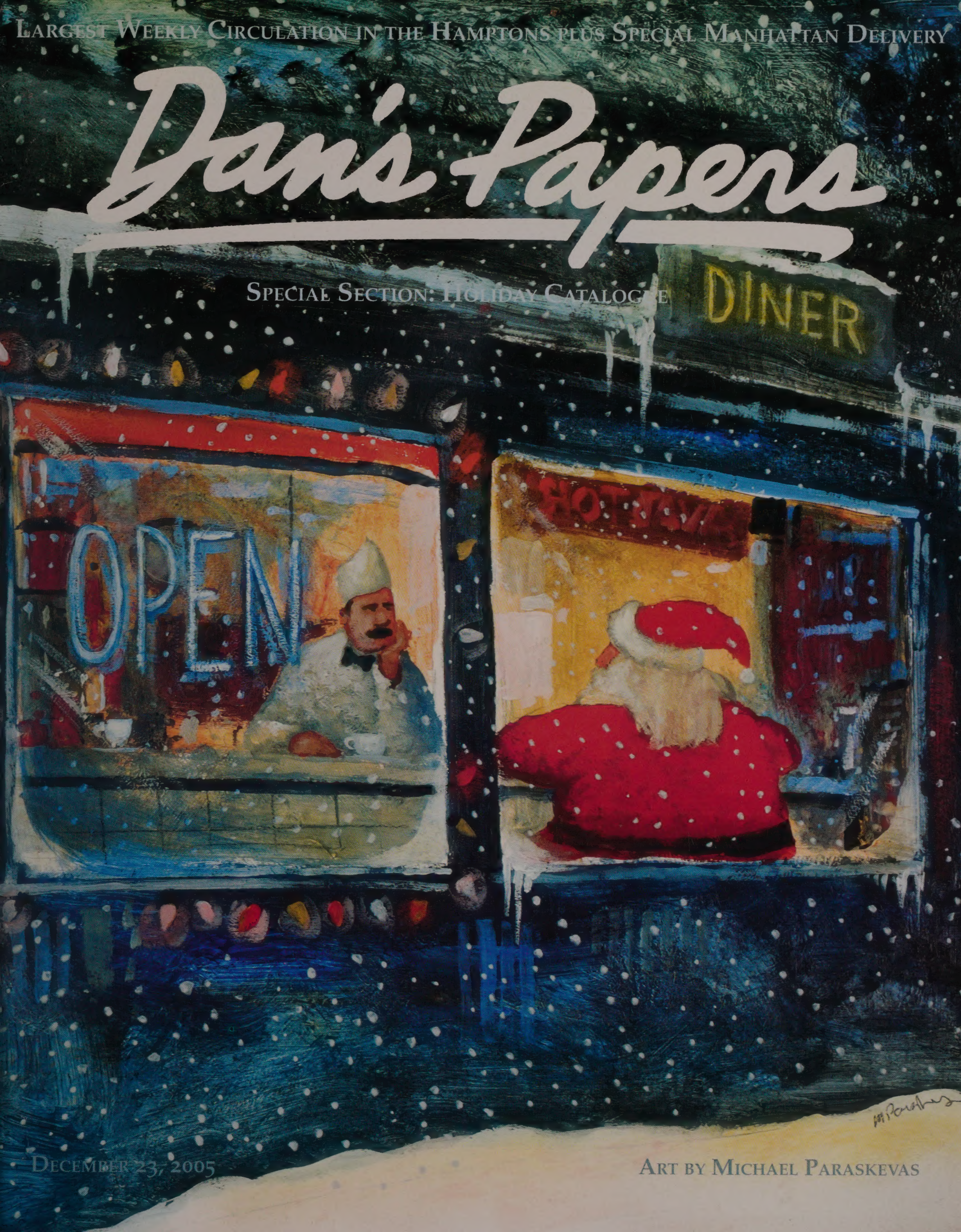

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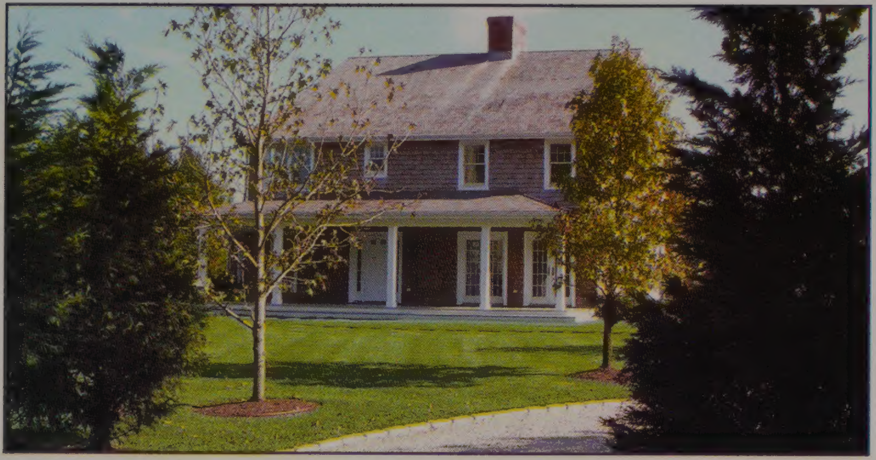

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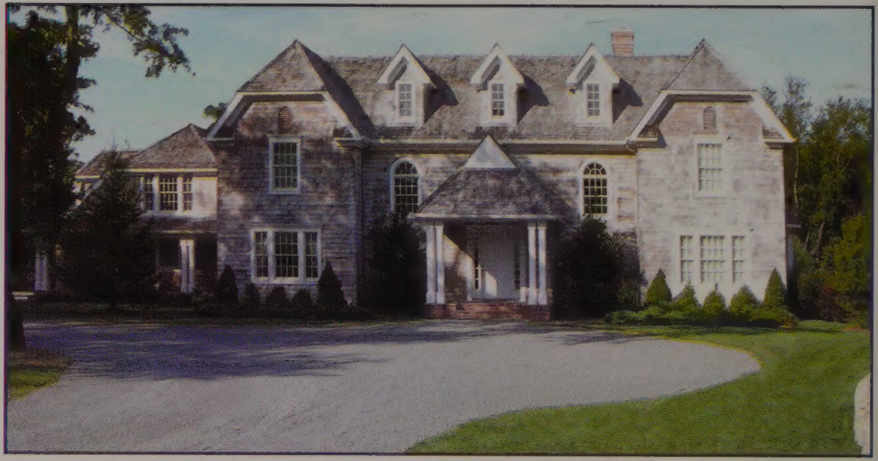

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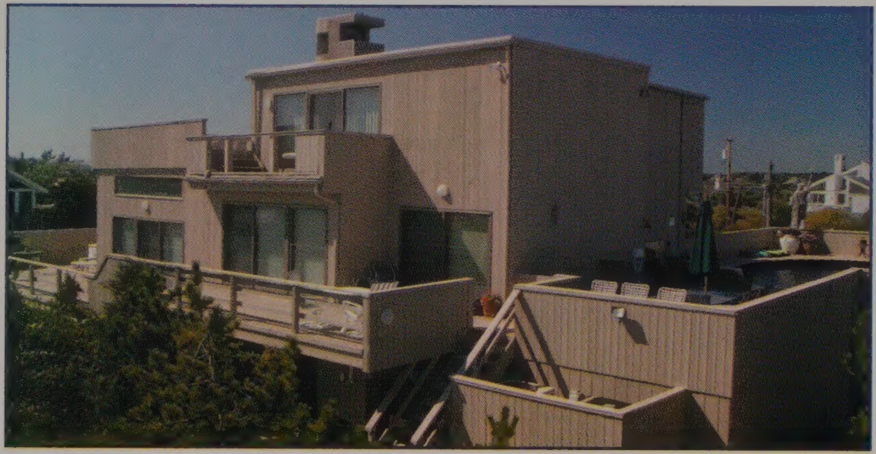

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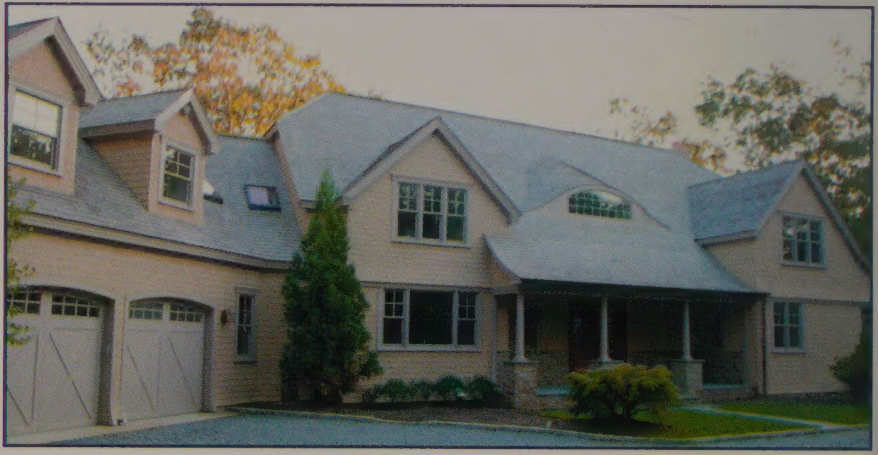

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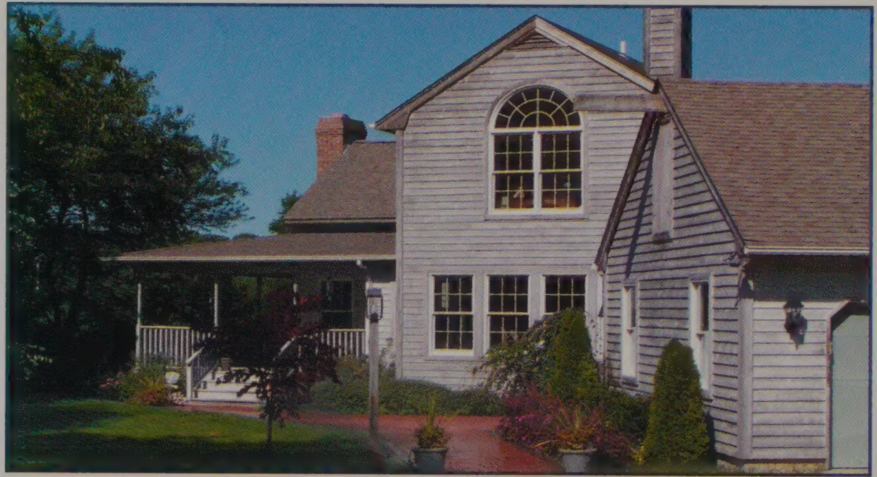

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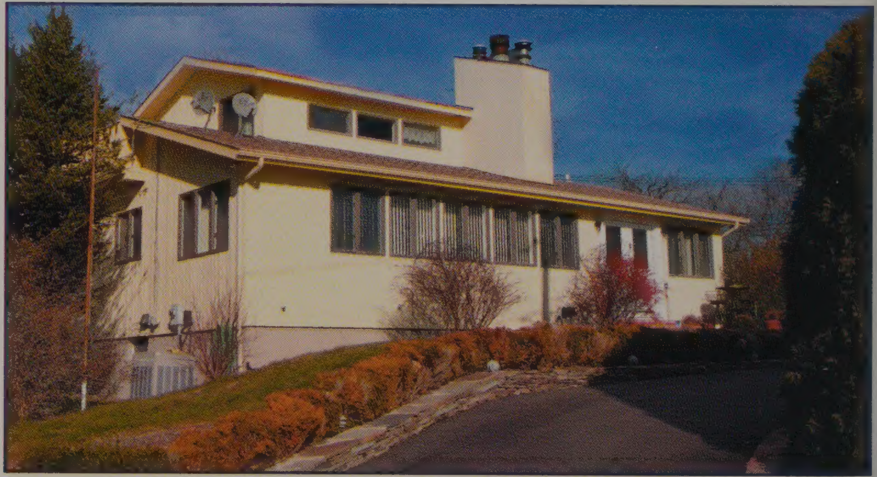

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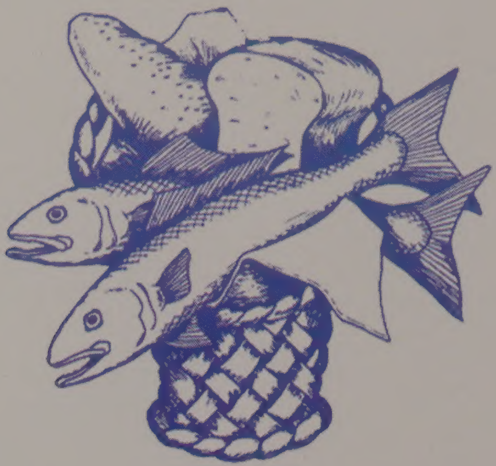

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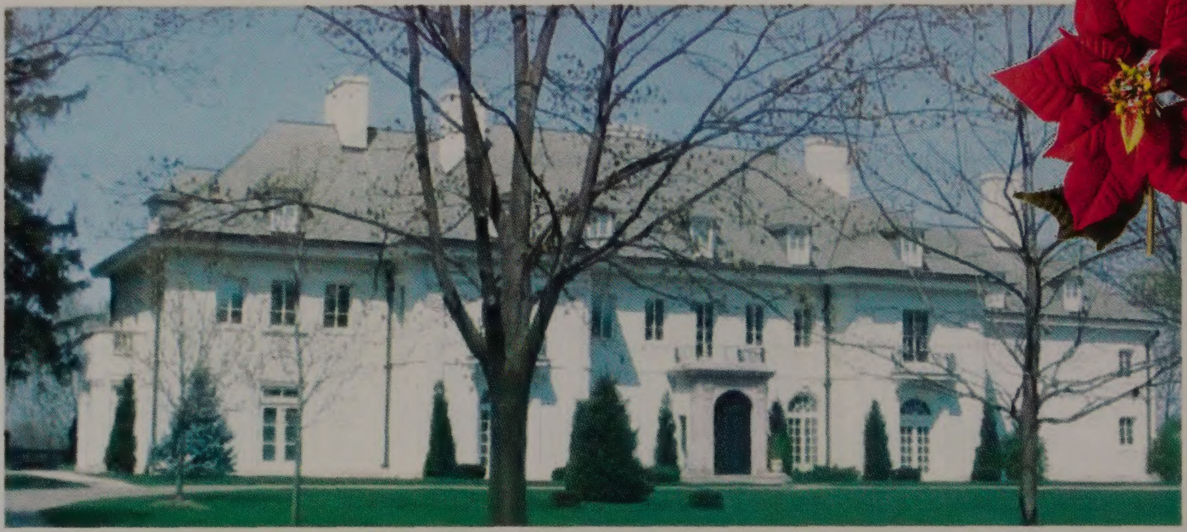

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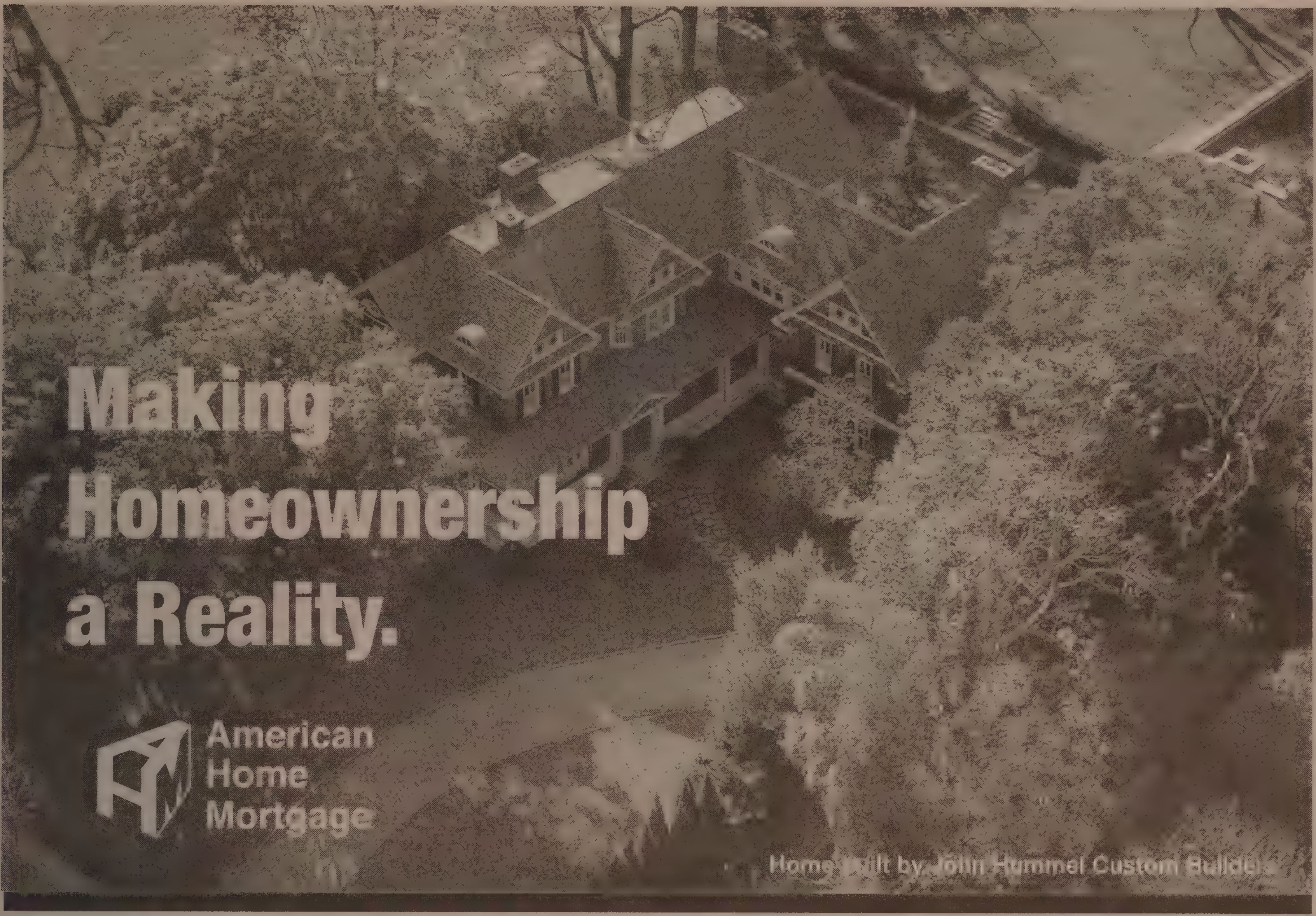
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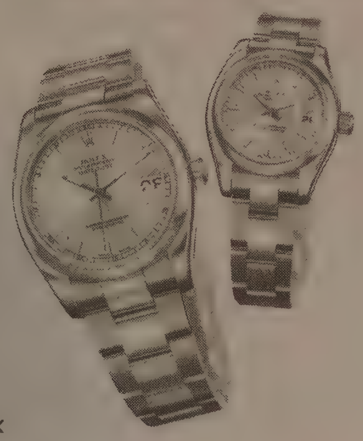

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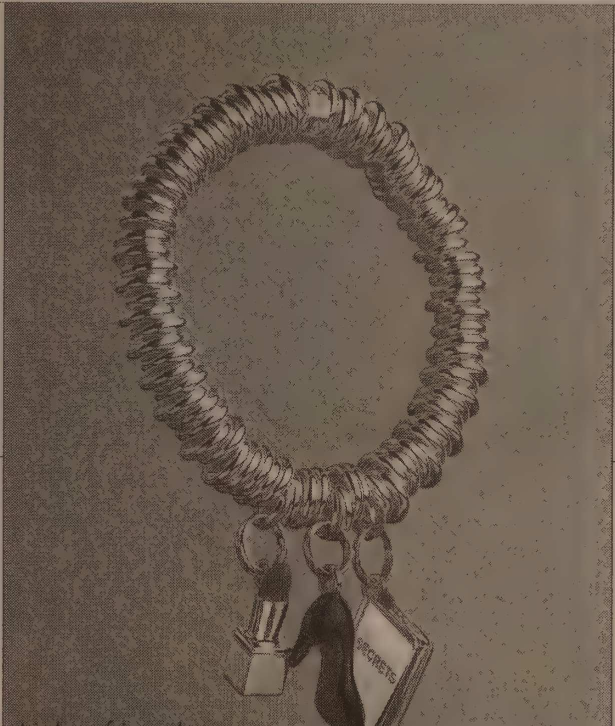

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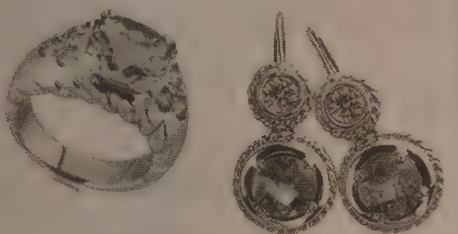

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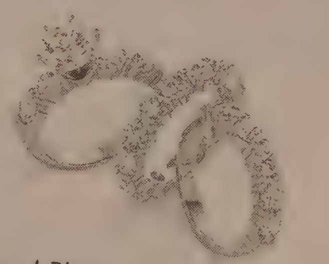

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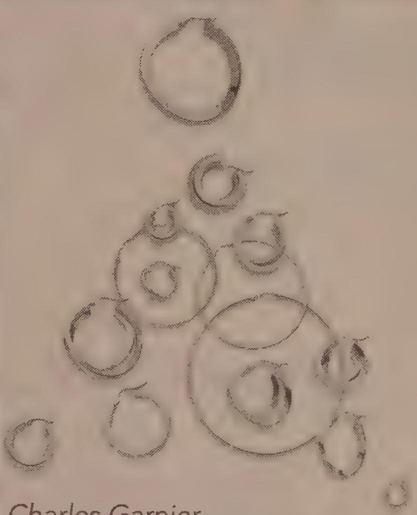

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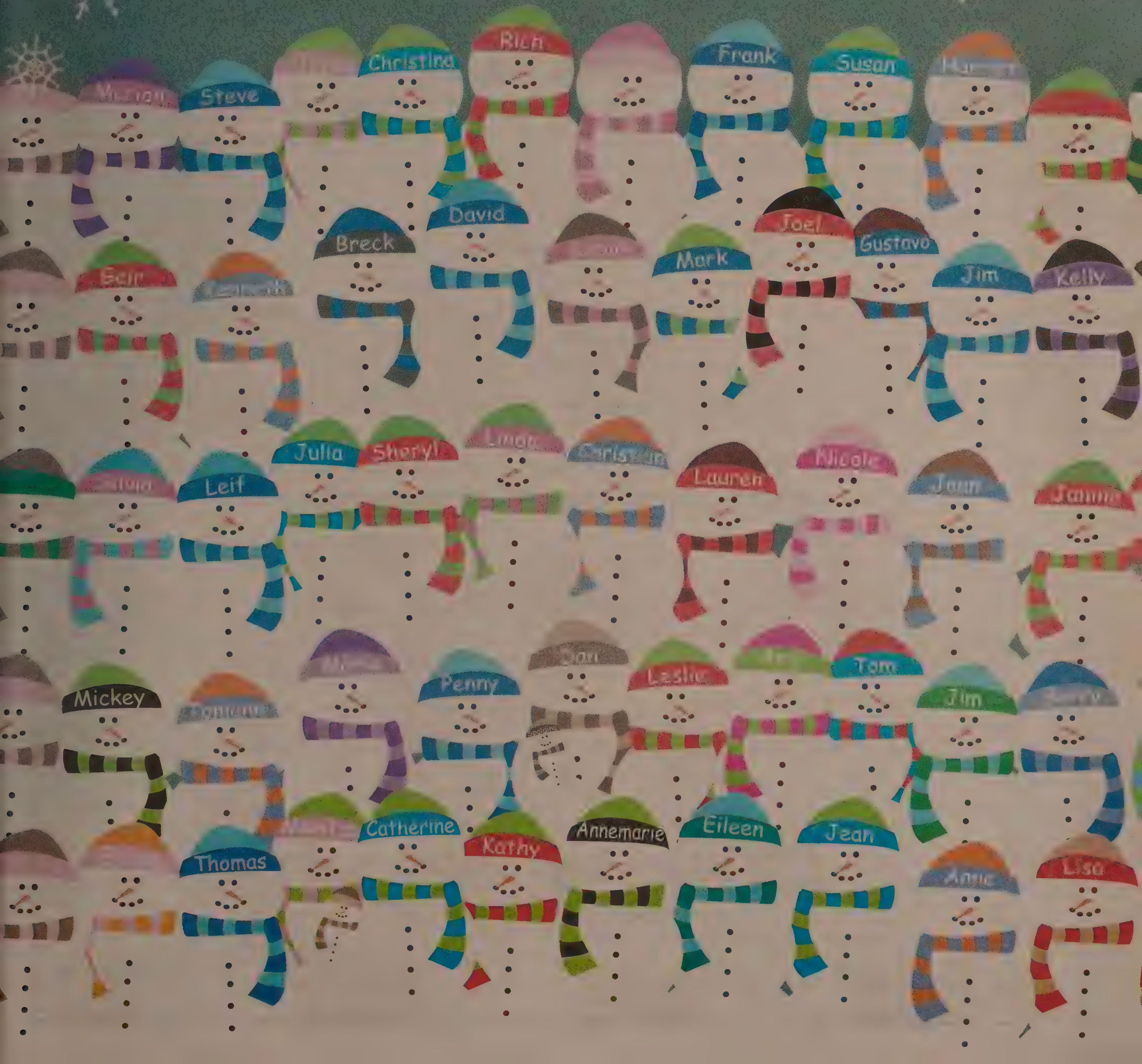
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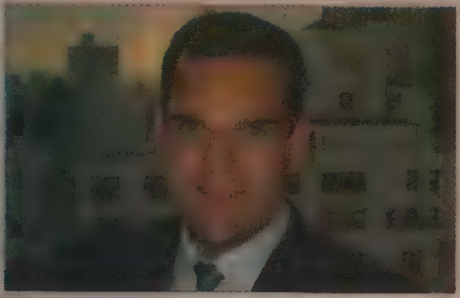

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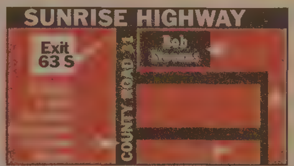

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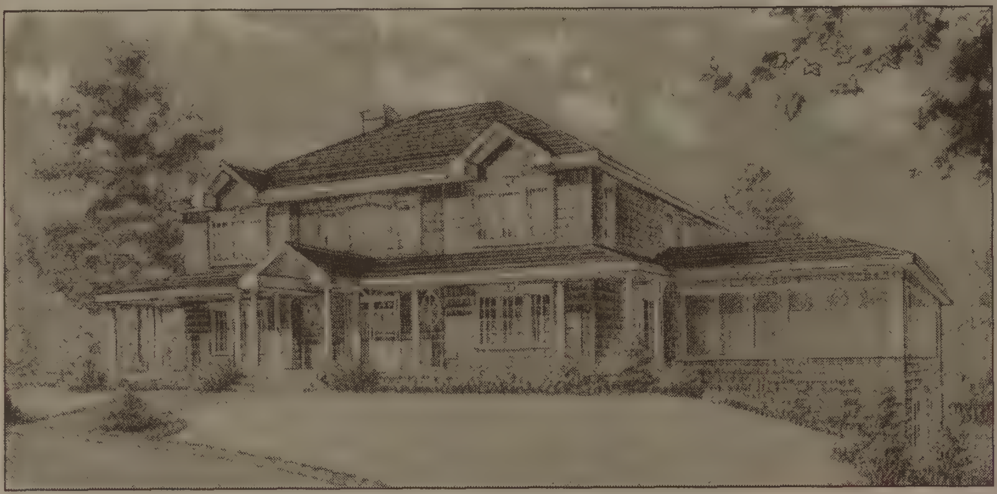

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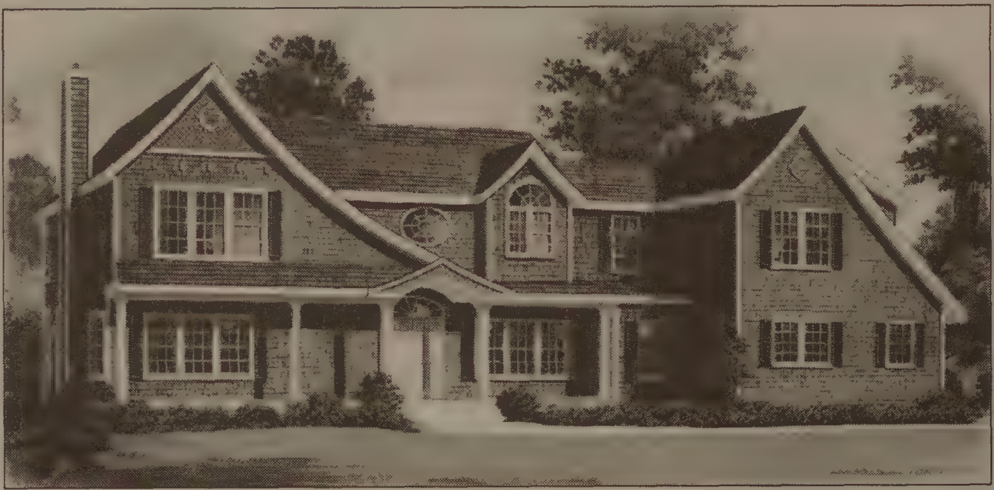

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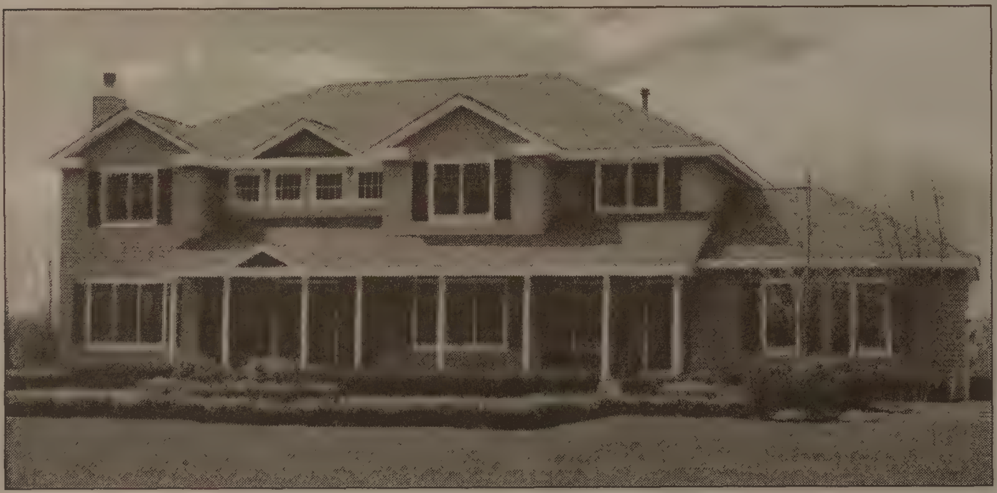

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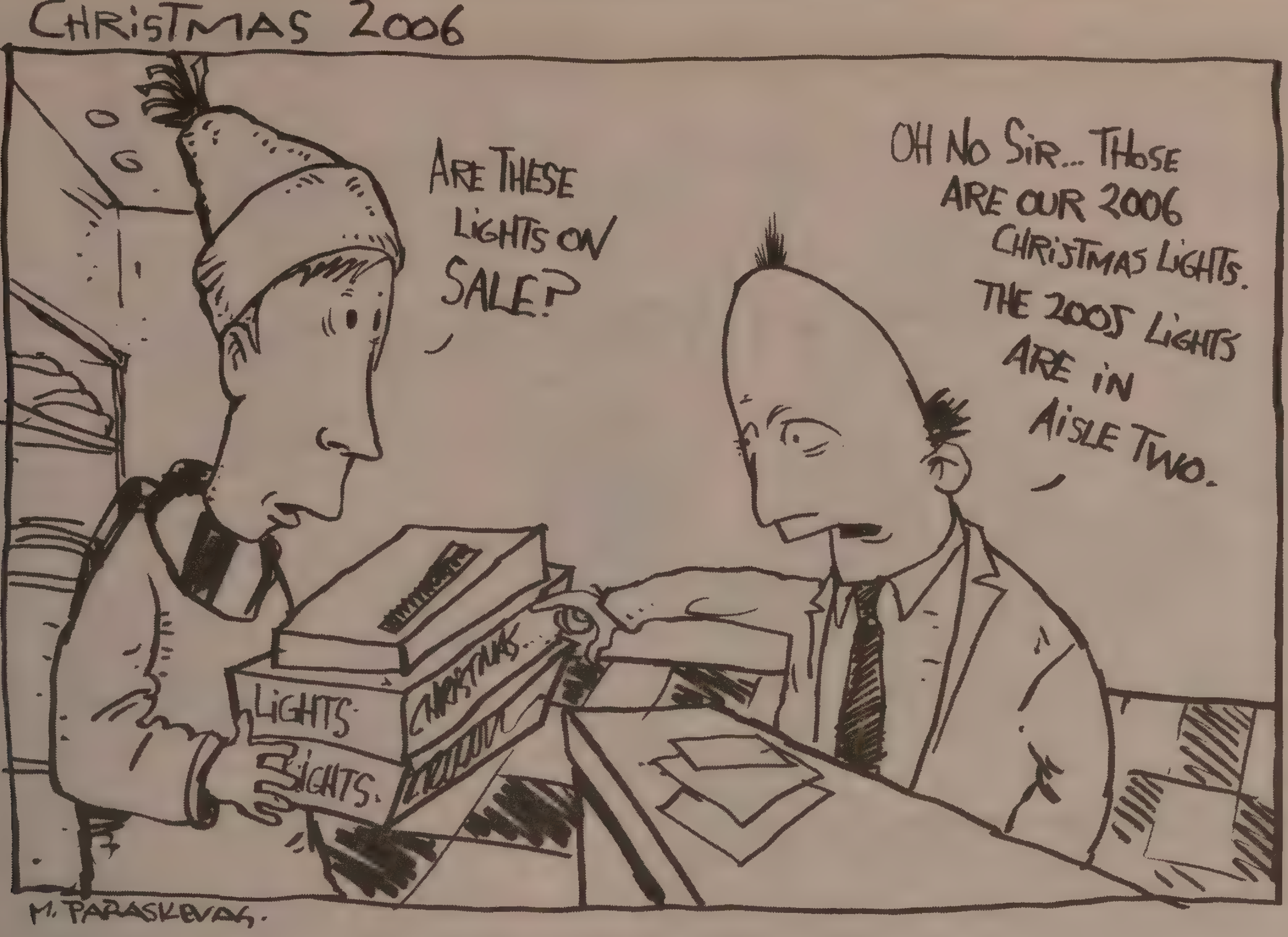
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An Overview

The 8 Seasons of the Year. The 2 Xmases. And the 5 Thanksgivingses

By Dan Rattiner

Some people consider there to be four seasons. I consider there are eight. They are Winter, Spring, June, the Season, Baseball and Hurricanes, September, Football, the Holidays, Super Bowl and Travel.

Winter is coming up, right after we finish up The Holidays. I know it has been snowing and it is below freezing, but "The Holidays" are not winter. The Holidays are gifts, big meals, candles and lights, sleigh rides, shopping, hot apple cider, party after party after party and then New Year's Eve and the next morning, the Hangover. There is Football and Winter flanking the holidays and if a little of each makes its way into the Holidays, well, so much the better.

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I hesitated to give Super Bowl its own separate season, but in the end, relented. It's not really one of the Holidays, although it comes right after. The Holidays consist of thankfulness, joy and reflection. And Super Bowl is about heavily padded people smacking one another. I also hesitated to give Super Bowl its own separate season because it is so short. It's just four weeks really, from January 7 when the hype begins until February 6 or thereabouts, when it's the Monday morning after the game. But so be it.

Winter, of course, lasts two months. It runs from the day after Super Bowl until March 31 and it is pretty grim. It's dark and cold, there's deep snow and power outages, door rattling winds and stay off the road driving conditions. There's not even a goddamn holiday to celebrate to speak of during winter. President's Day? Goldie Hawn's Birthday? We build fires and huddle by them. The time passes. And then finally comes March and.......mud. And then another snowstorm.

The next season is Travel. It usually takes place at the end of winter, but sometimes it overlaps with winter as in — I just can't stand it anymore. It too is a short season, by season standards — generally just three weeks — and it consists of getting on a plane and going somewhere, preferably warm — in order to thaw out. It could be anywhere. Florida, Machu Picchu, the South of France, Key West, Hawaii, New Zealand, all these places come to mind. But then you come back and there is still another blizzard, this time with a wind chill of minus fifteen, which happens right when you are trying to get a taxicab in your Bermuda shorts outside of the terminal at Kennedy Airport after having circled the airport for three hours because of the storm.

Spring shows up in April in these parts, and it truly comes as a surprise. Frankly, those of us who have not committed suicide over the wintertime have managed to get through until the beginning of April by, frankly, simply acclimating ourselves to a lifetime of winter. And then it ends. What a surprise. The sun comes out, it begins to get warmer, the birds arrive, the flowers and trees make little buds, and the sap flows. For both sexes.

The next season, what we call June, is heralded in by Memorial Day Weekend. Somehow, some way, just one week before Memorial Day, "the Hamptons" spring to life in celebration of nature. The flowers all bloom, the first farm crops appear, all the trees are thick with green-

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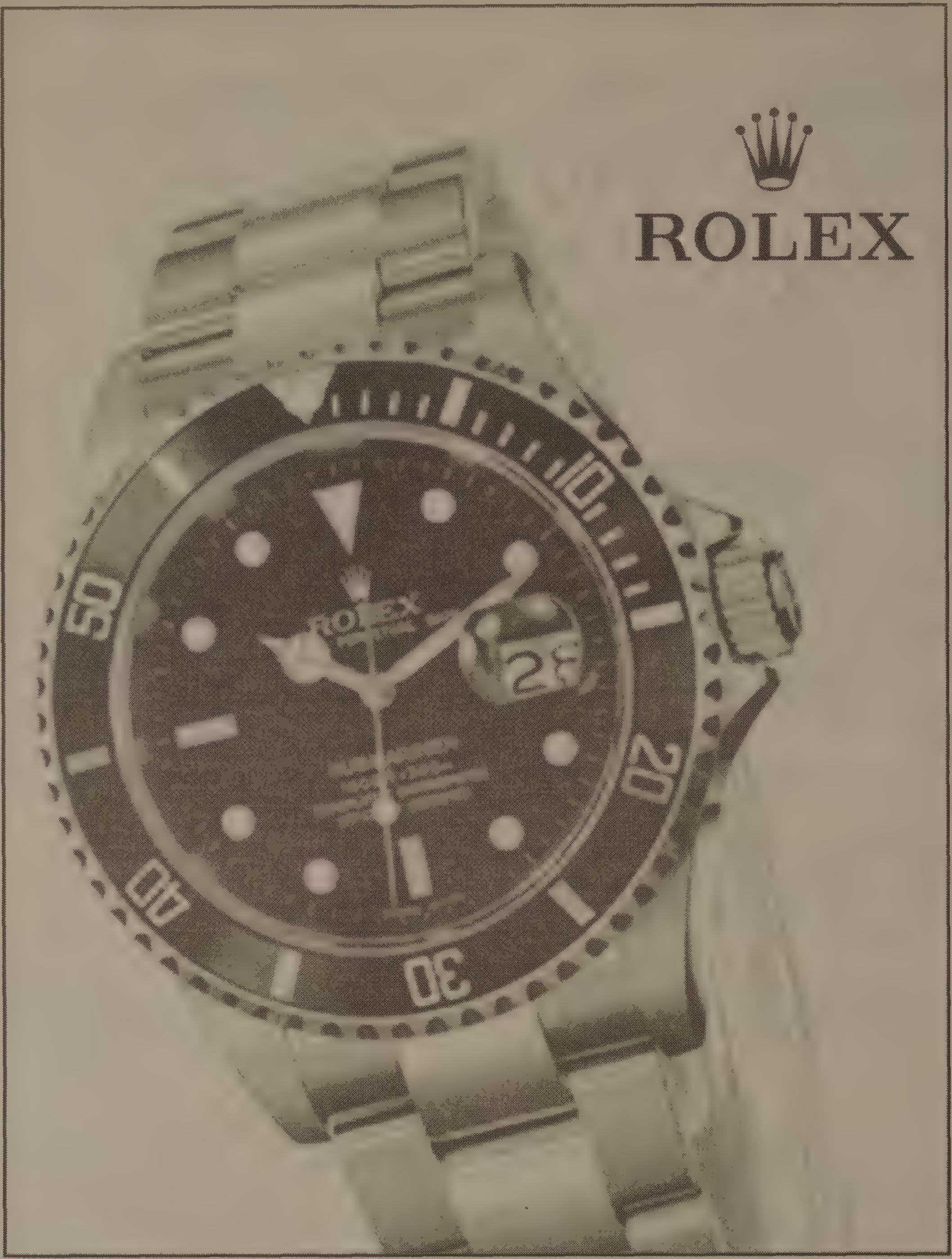

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Steven Spielberg's *Munich,* originally thought to be an Oscar favorite, was snubbed during last week's Golden Globe nominations, although Spielberg did receive a nod for Best Director. The movie, to be released this weekend, has already been panned by critics, most notably in *Variety*, where it was basically called long and boring. The less than stellar reviews come after months of speculation on whether or not the movie is historically accurate, since it is based on the book *Vengeance: The True Story Of an Israeli Counter Terrorist Team*, which has been pretty much discredited by scholars.

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Sarah Jessica Parker and **Matthew Broderick** are selling their Butter Lane, Bridgehampton home for $4.2 million. The couple owns two small homes in Amagansett, one on the beach and one across the street, which they purchased last spring.

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Never to be outdone, **Howard Stern** made his last radio broadcast on K-Rock one to remember. Thousands of fans jammed the streets of midtown Manhattan as Stern took a lap atop a double-decker bus around Times Square, among other antics, and addressed his fans for 20 minutes. As for Stern's "Saturday Night Live" cameo, he had to cancel last week's appearance due to illness, but hopes to appear later in the season.

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While **Martha Stewart's** "Apprentice" may not be returning for a second season, her daytime talk show "Martha" will be. The ratings for "Martha" were less than expected, given Stewart's popularity, but not terrible. Of new syndicated talk shows debuting this season, "Martha" was second only to "Judge Alex".

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Katie Couric is indeed talking with CBS about taking over **Dan Rather's** old job as the anchor of "CBS Evening News." If Couric jumps to CBS she will probably earn around $15 million a year for five years, which is less than what she is currently earning at NBC. If she jumps networks, Couric may also be offered a correspondent position for "60 Minutes," which is produced by Hampton resident **Don Hewitt**.

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The Tony Award winning **Billy Joel/Twyla Tharp** musical *Movin' Out* just closed on Broadway, but is set to open in London next spring. The show will play at the Apollo Victoria theater for about three months before taking off

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WINTER BREAK

This issue is our final edition for the year 2005. We now take a two-week break and publish again on January 13, 2006. This is a practice we have followed every year as it gives our staff a well-deserved break. To place advertisements and/or upcoming events for the edition of January 13, 2006, contact us before Monday at 5 p.m. on January 9. Beginning with January 15, we resume our weekly schedule.

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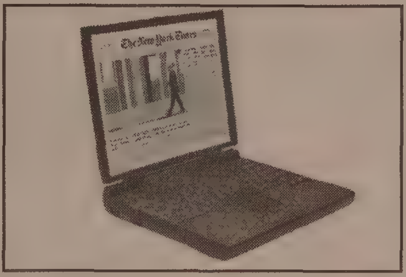

I *personally* invented *The New York Times* website
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ery. It seems to happen suddenly, during the very last week of May, as if the whole thing were put together by choreographers and stage hands. The crowds are coming on Memorial Day Weekend for the grand opening. Get everything ready. Lily pads and frogs in the pond. Finish loading up the beach with sand. Get those lawns mowed and the hedgerows clipped. And then — here they come!

"The Season" is July and August. There is the thock of tennis balls, the crashing of the waves, the squeals of the children in the surf, the clatter of sandals on the sidewalks, the clink of glasses at fundraisers, the splash of swimming pools, the loud music in the nightspots, and the arrival of the Piping Plovers, which are the little birds that nest on the beaches and which are so precious and rare that the authorities close the beaches to humans when they find plover nests. Hmmmm.

"Hurricanes" overlaps the last half of the last month of "The Season." It is the only time that one season overlaps another. During "Hurricanes," there is not necessarily a Hurricane. But it is on everybody's mind anyway. "Hurricanes" begins about August 15, when the bulletins go out that the Hurricane Season has begun and if you haven't stocked up on supplies then you better go out today and get that done, so everybody does. This means bottles of water, flashlights, candles, canned food, a full tank of gas in the car at all times and so forth and so on. The Hurricane, or maybe several hurricanes could hit at any time. Though we haven't actually been hit by one since 1997. Instead, we keep one eye on the weather report and another on the television during "Hurricanes" as one after another the Hurricanes start up down in the south Atlantic and hit somewhere or another along either the east or Gulf coasts causing catastrophic damage but Never Quite Here.

September is the next season. It doesn't actually begin on September First. It begins one week and a day after Labor Day Weekend, when the echo weekend is done — the one after Labor Day — and the locals all come out of their holes to notice that the crowds are gone but the Hamptons and the North Fork and Montauk are actually at their most beautiful. The ocean is at its warmest. The fish are abundant and the surfcasters are everywhere. The devastating heat of August is over but it's still full-blown summer. The greenery is still around, perhaps at its very lushest, and so is all the wildlife, such as it is. But now the pace slows. Most people say that September is the best time of all and it surely is.

Football is the next season. All the high school kids dress in colorful helmets and shoulder pads to play the game or in military dress with brass buttons to play in marching bands for the game. There is more of the same — either college or professional — on television. And then there are all the other sorts of dress up and colorful activities. People put on skeleton costumes and ghost costumes for one particular holiday — there are people dressed up as Hollywood types — actually they are Hollywood types — for the big holiday during Football which is Film Festival — and there are other weird things going on. Pumpkins, hay bales, teenage girls mashing grapes with their feet at wine harvest parties and potato trucks, cheerleaders with pompoms walking down Main Street. At the end, all the beautiful, lush greenery turns a horrible orange and purple and then falls to the ground dead. And everybody thinks it's wonderful.

Finally, we begin again with The Holidays. A time of reflection, appreciation, prayer, thankfulness and sharing.

Actually, I think there is something sort of wrong with the first of The Holidays. Thanksgiving, due to circumstances beyond its control, has become quite awkward.

The problem is that about half the families in America have families within families. It was different before the epidemic of divorce and remarriage and people coming out of the closet. There was, from the beginning, the idea that The Family would get together around this big table and share the big feast. And that worked fine for about three hundred years. Until, around a generation ago, everything changed.

Now we have the kids from the first wife, the kids from the second wife, the kids from the first husband and the kids from the second husband and "this year they are celebrating with (fill in the blank) rather than with us."

What we need is more Thanksgivingses. There is a precedent for this. At Christmastime, we have Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. And we have New Year's Eve and New Year's Brunch. We also have Kwanzaa and Chanukah, which lasts eight days and whatever else. So if during December, everybody wants to get together with everybody else, there are actually so many opportunities to do so it can be arranged.

As things stand now, that is not the case with Thanksgiving. We need more of them. We need a Preparation Day party for the day before Thanksgiving. And we need a Thanksgiving Breakfast for the day after Thanksgiving. Then a Recovery Day two days after Thanksgiving and a Diet Day for day three. That ought to do it.

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Looking Back

Some Odd Stories of 2005 We Couldn't Figure Out What to Do With

By Dan Rattiner

Here are some of the oddest stories we came across in 2005.

In Holland, the government has issued a summons to a filmmaker saying his activities violated that country's child labor laws. The filmmaker did a documentary of the act of childbirth. The child that appeared during the film was underage, unaware he was being filmed, and not paid for his performance.

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The executives at the big Mr. Softee Company have had an awful lot to deal with this past year. Last summer, for example, bogus Mr. Softee venders were driving around. In various cities and beach resorts around the country, people not employed by Mr. Softee would get a white van, paint it up with Mr. Softee signs on the sides, and then toodle along playing the Mr. Softee jingle to attract the kids and then sell them inferior product at Mr. Softee prices.

The executives at Mr. Softee authorized an aggressive campaign to put a halt to this. They hired people with black surveillance vans, two-way radios and binoculars to look for the imposters. When they'd find them, they'd call in the police and have the perps handcuffed and hauled away. The problem stopped.

Then there was the problem with Mr. Bloomberg and the City of New York. The mayor had launched an anti-noise campaign, and the Mr. Softee jingle, going up and down the street and being played over and over became a target. For a while, it seemed that the Mr. Softee jingle would be banned from the city streets entirely, a decision that would have broken a lot of young hearts and essentially driven Mr. Softee out of the city.

But in the end, a compromise was reached. The Mr. Softee jingle could be played as the trucks rolled along, but only loud enough to be heard from fifty yards away. Also, when the truck stopped and a crowd of kids gathered,

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WHO THE #&%$ IS HOWARD STERN ANYWAY?

By Dan Rattiner

On January 9, Howard Stern of Amagansett goes on Sirius Radio to regale us once again with curse words. He is to be paid $500 million dollars to do this. And Sirius expects to get their investment in Stern back again and then some.

How all this has come about is well known. After many years of allowing curse words on the federal airwaves as an expression of free speech, those of a more conservative bent found a way around the law. There were these old, antique FCC laws about indecency, first put into effect in Hollywood in the 30s, and then for network radio and television and still on the books. (You could curse on cable. You'd get bleeped on the networks.) Why not raise the fine for a violation of decency from $50 per occurrence to, say, $50,000 per occurrence? And change the law to include cable? One million and five hundred thousand dollars later, Howard Stern found himself booted off television by those who were required to pay the fine for what came out of his mouth. He had said "swamp ass," and then expanded upon it. As a result of this, not only was Stern out of a job, but herds of censors were rushed into the TV studios to bleep out bad words from practically all movies made between 1968 and the present day. If somebody said sh-t in a movie, it wasn't going to make it to TV in reruns. Not if they could help it.

As for Stern, he offered his services not to anywhere in television anymore, but to the new and unregulated medium of the Internet and specifically, in the absence of video, to radio where he had begun. Sirius hired him.

The whole thing really makes you wonder what the big deal is about swearing or, alternately, what the hell swearing is, anyway?

People have uttered swear words from the

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the operator would turn off the jingle for the duration while he doled out the ice cream.

The argument that won the day seemed to be that kids from further away than 50 yards shouldn't be allowed to be running around hysterically looking for an ice cream truck. And if a kid heard the truck at less than 50 yards, he'd be able to see it, or nearly see it wherever it stopped. He wouldn't be needing the beacon of the Mr. Softee jingle to guide him in.

This just goes to show what can be done when rational people get together to hammer out a solution to an important business problem with a determination to not leave the table until they get a good result.

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Scientists at the University of Oregon have determined that how much you remember does not correspond to the amount of your brain you use for storage. Until now, it has been thought that the more you remember the more space in your brain you take up. And if you REALLY remember a lot — what we call cramming — you can get the most remembered stuff per cubic inch. But it turns out that everybody has the same amount of storage area and the same amount of activity in that storage area. What you recall involves how effectively you can bring the stuff that is in there to the forefront of awareness. This is done by something that the scientists call "the bouncer."

"It's like what goes on by the rope in front of a nightclub," said Dr. Edward Vogel, who heads up the research team. "The bouncer lets some things in and others not. The more selective the bouncer is, the better you do."

At least, that's what I think he said. I haven't had my coffee yet this morning.

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German archeologists have uncovered evidence that prehistoric women had sex toys. At an archaelogical site inside the Hohle Fels Cave near Ulm, they have come upon a carved, sculptured and polished stone object that is very clearly a phallus. It is 1.2 inches wide and 7.8 long — well hung — and a complete object, that is to say it was not broken off from something else, which is what has led the archaeologists to conclude that it was actually used as a sexual aid. It is 28,000 years old.

It is being transported, inside a velvet bag with a gold drawstring one presumes, to a museum in Blaubeuren where it will be on display in an exhibit entitled "Ice Art: Clearly Male."

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There are friendly dogs and not so friendly dogs. The ones that are friendly are sometimes brought to hospitals to cheer up patients. They are called "therapy dogs" and now it has been proven that what they do works.

A study has been done at the Memorial Medical Center in Long Beach, California where 76 heart patients were divided into three categories. One category was of those not visited by anybody, the second category was of those visited by human volunteers only and the third category consisted of those that were visited by human volunteers with dogs. All participants in the study were monitored for vital signs and physiological reactions before, during and after the study.

Those visited by volunteers with dogs had their levels of epinephrine, a stress making hormone, drop by 17%, those that were just visited by the volunteer had it drop by 2%. Those who got no visit at all saw it rise 7% during the study. In other words, those who got to see the dogs were 24% better off than those that didn't see anybody.

Patients were selected for participation if they said they liked dogs and would like to be part of the study. Those that did not like dogs were not selected. The "therapy" dogs were a wide variety of breeds, including poodles, golden retrievers and miniature schnauzers. And the dogs were judged for friendliness and health prior to the study.

So if you like dogs but get taken to the hospital in Long Beach with a heart condition, this is a good thing for you.

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On a Friday, this past June, the *Los Angeles Times* launched a new feature on their Internet edition called a "Wikitorial." Readers were asked to read a 1,000-word editorial about Iraq called "War and Consequences" and then modify it by making comments, changes and perhaps even coming to different conclusions. They could do this free of interference from the editors. The results of the team effort would be published in an upcoming edition of the paper.

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Too Much to Drink at the Party? A Taxi Home No Questions Asked

By Dan Rattiner

To tell you the truth, it's all about human nature. Some people have a positive attitude. Others a darker one. For example, there was the night last year on the Saturday between Christmas and New Years when we were all sitting in a bar talking about how we were going to get home.

"Another scotch," somebody asked the waitress.

"Why don't the taxicab companies have free take you home service?" somebody else asked. "It's the holidays."

"They used to. But they stopped doing it."

Anybody need a ride home from a bar between Christmas and New Year's because they drank too much and gets it free.

There were half a dozen of us sitting around a table.

"I heard the liquor companies used to fund it," somebody said. "The taxi companies won't do it for nothing. So the liquor companies had this fund and they paid the taxi companies."

"That works. We pay the tavern, the tavern pays the liquor companies and the liquor companies pay the taxicabs. So it was just a lot of middlemen. So what happened?"

"They're not doing it anymore. The liquor companies still have the fund, but now, I'm told they give it to lobbyists in Washington. Or they spend it on education."

"Yeah, educating people not to drink?"

"Not to drink in excess."

"Anybody else want anything?" the waitress asked, plopping down the scotch.

"Another beer."

"Tequila Sunrise."

"We ought to start a taxi company. Charge people who are sober. Give free rides to people who are drunk."

A long silence followed this statement.

"Yeah," somebody said.

"So it would be like twenty dollars to Bridgehampton if you're sober. But we take you home free if you're drunk."

"What if you can't afford it?"

"You don't get the cab ride."

"People are going to pretend to be drunk."

"Those saying they are drunk will have to take a test. We'll have breathalyzers. One for every car."

"Somebody can't afford a taxi. So they get drunk?"

"What if you are fall down slurring your words drunk but you pass a breathalyzer test for some reason?"

"Maybe this is a bad idea."

"Yeah, this isn't going to work. Another scotch, please."

But now there is Bryan DeParma, the young owner of HomeTown Taxi, and he has a whole different view of human nature. A positive one. He's built his business to a fleet of 25 cars, and has taxi service in East Hampton, Sag Harbor, Southampton, Hampton Bays and Quogue.

"Anybody need a ride home from a bar between Christmas and New Year's because they drank too much and gets it free. On us," he says.

Two years ago, on a Saturday night between Christmas and New Year's DeParma was driving down Route 114 between East Hampton and Sag Harbor when he was sideswiped by an erratically driving motorist. He was injured, and an ambulance had to take him to Southampton Hospital, but he had gotten the license number. Later, the police picked up the perpetrator and charged him with DWI and leaving the scene. As for DePalma, he was in the hospital undergoing treatment for 24 hours.

"I don't ever want what happened to me to happen to anybody else," he now says. "If someone at a bar has had too much to drink and needs a ride home, we will take them home. And in the morning, we will take them back to where they left their car. All for free."

We asked if he thought people might take advantage of the offer.

"We'll just trust people. If they think they shouldn't drive, we'll be there. No questions asked."

If you need DePalma, here are the numbers for his taxi company. 329-0011, 725-6969, 283-5200 and 728-9300. •

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project was taken down and abandoned.

"Nothing bad happened until midnight after Saturday," said Michael Newman, the deputy editorial page editor. People were modifying, improving and changing things and polishing it up — the *Times* was very proud of the effort which had attracted hundreds of people by that point — when around 1 a.m. that night people began posting pictures of themselves naked. From here, all sorts of sex stuff began to appear. And that was that.

"I was heartened by how seriously people took it at first," said Andres Martinez, the editorial director. "I was really impressed by the level of high-minded participation. It's not a total shock it ended up this way. Now we will evaluate what this means."

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A study done at the National University of Singapore has concluded that breast fed kids are 50% less likely to be nearsighted when they get older.

According to the doctor who led the study, the reason for this apparently is because of a substance found in breast milk — but not in cow's milk — called DHA. It encourages more structured eyeball growth.

Personally, I think it might be something else. You keep staring at a bull's eye from that close eight times a day and then have to get to it accurately every time for your sustenance while being less than a year old and not very coordinated — that might do wonders for your vision.

It's the same principle that has professional basketball players practicing foul shots over and over. The more they do it the better at it they get.

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A German theatre group called Theatre Titanick performed *The Sinking of the Titanic* in open-air theatres around the country this fall. The set is about 80 feet long, is assembled during the day, and then, in the evening during the performance, springs a leak and collapses into a watery chaos in about sixty minutes of nonstop hysteria.

It does not appear to be a ship to the theatergoers when they first assemble in their seats. It consists of a series of metal pipes, several bathtubs, some scaffolding, axes, tables and chairs and so forth. It begins when some actors come out and do a sort of comic version of an aristocratic dinner aboard a cruise ship. Pieces of ham and chicken fly into the audience. So does champagne. And then a pipe bursts. And all hell breaks loose.

For the next fifty-five minutes, people run around trying to either save one another, stop the leaks, or get help. At one point a man roars up in a wheelchair. At another somebody arrives on a motorcycle with a sidecar and with a helmet spurting fireworks. At still another, a string quartet, which has started playing classically, begins to get weird. It's all in German and pretty hilarious and in the end, after flames and smoke, clanking metal, ropes on fire, sparks and explosions and more than 9,000 gallons of water pouring down and being shot out of pipes and hoses, everything fails, the ship sinks and they all drown — sort of.

It was first performed in America at the Pittsburgh International Festival of Firsts this past October.

Theater Titanick created this performance in 1990, before either the movie or the award winning Broadway show of the same name.

If you are interested, I have no idea how to get hold of these people, but they do have a site on the Internet which is www.titanick.com. •

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beginning of time. They used them, for exactly the same purpose, among the regular words not only in Greek times and Shakespearean times, but today on the primitive islands of Borneo, in the igloos of Alaska and in the halls of academia in Cambridge. In the different languages, the swear words are all spoken differently from one another. But in every case they mean the same thing. They refer to intimate personal things that refer to our animal nature. The act of sex. The act of relieving one-

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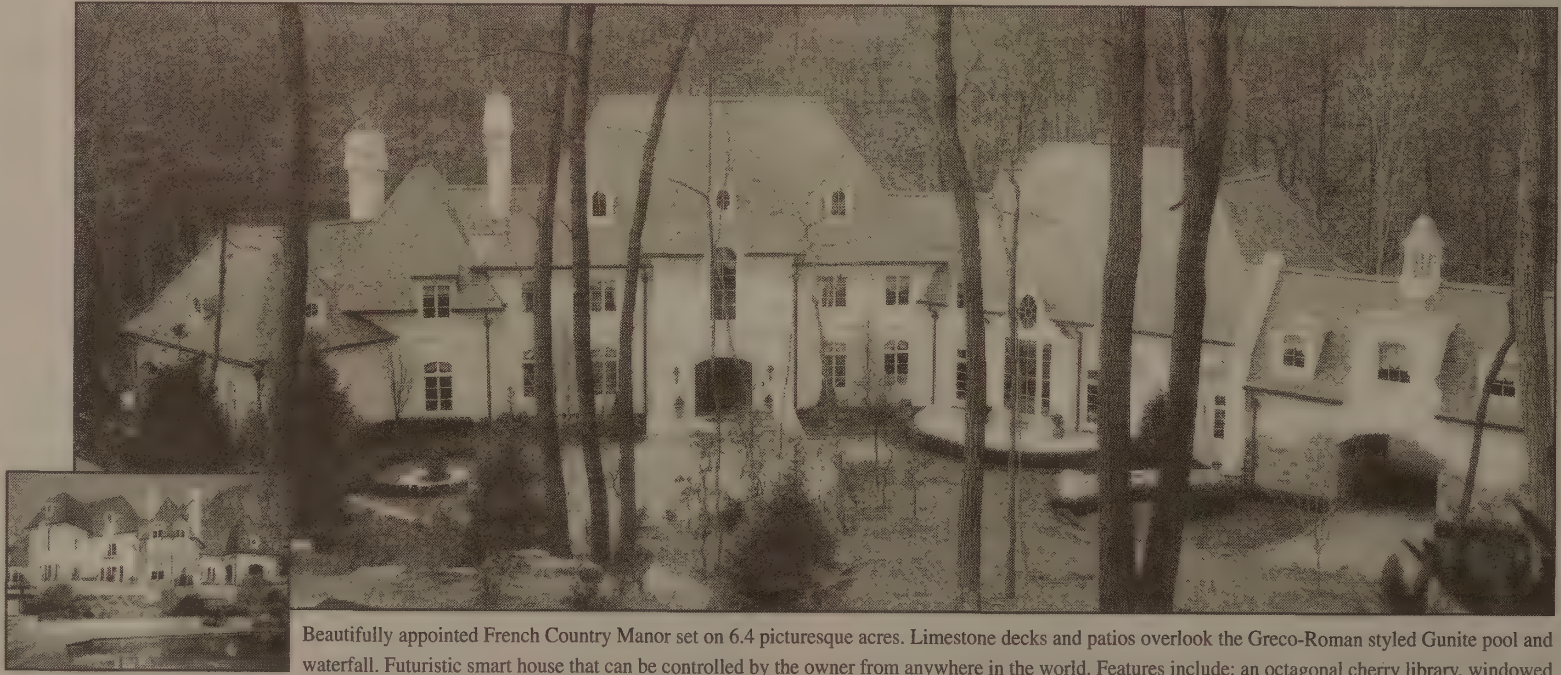
LONG BROOK at FRANKLIN LAKES



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Shannon Ory with her Rottweiler T-Bear

Joy in Wainscott

New Orleans Families Reunite With Their Cats and Dogs Here

By Dan Rattiner

The holiday season here is resounding with the joy of people from New Orleans reuniting with their long lost pets. Dellarene and George Hodges of the Gentile section of New Orleans flew up to East Hampton to reunite with their dogs Coco and Ruhu on Tuesday. Shannon Ory of St. Bernard's Parish flew up to East Hampton to be reunited with her dog T-Bear on Thursday. These people, separated from their pets when Hurricane Katrina slammed into Louisiana and Mississippi in August, thought perhaps they would never see their dogs again, but they never gave up hope. The dogs were here in East Hampton, safe and sound, all the time.

The story of these rescues and family reunions is one of the most heartwarming stories imaginable. But it started, of course, with a heartbreaking and horrifying tragedy.

When Katrina hit on August 29, what the storm did not knock down was destroyed by the floodwaters unleashed when the levees broke. For Shannon Ory, who lived with her five dogs and one cat, it meant abandoning her flooded home with her pets and rushing to a nearby school. When that flooded too, she fled again, but this time she was made to leave her dogs and cats behind on a top floor. Those were the rules.

> The dogs and cats they had had all been brought in by rescuers going through the flooded areas in flatboats. None had collars.

She could not bear to think of what happened to them after she left. She'd return by boat to the school where she thought they still were, to leave food and water for them on the roof. What she didn't know was that the authorities in the school, left with all these pets, obeyed the orders that had come down from on high. Release all the animals. They took off their collars and threw them away. And forced the animals out into the floodwaters.

As for the Hodges, when the waters flooded Gentile and forced them out of their home, they left with Copo and Ruhu, their two fifty pound akita dogs, and they went to an apartment house that they owned nearby. They too abandoned their dogs there on one of the upper floors, returning once in a while by boat to pet them or feed them or bring them fresh water. But one day they went back to find a sign spray painted on the door to that otherwise abandoned apartment. DOGS TAKEN TO HUMANE SOCIETY, it read. It was left there, clearly, by rescuers. But what Humane Society? There were many. And as the days went by, they called them all. There was no sign of Coco or Ruhu.

In East Hampton, at the Animal Rescue Fund, the staff knew, after they heard the governor say that all pets would have to be abandoned, they could not sit idly by. In the weeks after the storm, dogs were being brought to all sorts of Humane Society shelters both outside

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and inside the devastation area. And the managers of these shelters were asking that as many of these pets be transported to other shelters as soon as possible to make room for still more pets. Weeks after the storm, even months, more and more were being brought in, many in very bad shape.

Michele Forrester, the human resources director of ARF, organized a bus trip down to the Delta to retrieve as many pets as they could. They estimated they could hold up to 20 hurricane dogs and cats in the pens in the yard here in East Hampton off Daniel Hole's Road.

"We just picked one of the humane societies down there at random," she said. "There were so many. We picked the Humane Society of Tylertown, Mississippi. It was inside the devastation zone. And though the main kennel had been flooded and destroyed, someone had donated a house where they could set up shop again, and the animals were moved there."

George and Dellarene Hodges with Coco and Rahu

On November 2, Michele Forrester, her husband and her daughter, together with ARF vet Debbie Downs boarded a full size bus chartered from the Horizon Coach bus company in Bellport, and headed south. On each of the seats, they had belted a pet carrier. They would bring what and whom they could home to East Hampton.

"It took us two days to get down there," she said. "The dogs and cats they had had all been brought in by

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self. And in some societies where respect for one's parents is paramount, the performance of sex with the mother of the person being spoken to. And that's it.

Is all that worth $500 million? Does a bear sh-t in the woods, as we used to say?

Studies have been made involving the behavior of chimpanzees, for example. Scientists have found that when a male chimp gets angry with another male chimp, he makes what appears to be cursing sounds and then makes absolutely unmistakable hand gestures that all other chimps and humans understand. And then they don't fight.

"A chimpanzee who is really gearing up for a fight doesn't waste time with gestures, but just goes ahead and attacks," said Dr. Frans de Waal, a professor of primate behavior at Emory University in Atlanta.

The cursing seems to be a sort of anger management. A release of the anger. Then he goes about his business. And the other Chimpanzee does too.

Scientists have also found that groups of people, particularly those who want to bond in friendship with one another, often resort to foul mouthed behavior. It's a form of intimacy, saying words that are forbidden in polite society. Scientists have found that men use this

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Little Edie Beale at Grey Gardens

Maysles

A Young Documentarian in Search of her Documentarian Father

By Julia Nasser

In 1974, documentary filmmakers Albert and David Maysles arrived at a dilapidated East Hampton mansion called Grey Gardens. By that time, Big and Little Edie, the aunt and cousin of Jacqueline Onassis, had retreated to just a few, garbage-ridden bedrooms, where they lived among feral cats and scurrying raccoons. In the resulting film, the mother and daughter bicker and posture on dirty beds, singing disjointed show tunes and eating liver paste from dirty tins, all while the roof caves in around them.

The Maysles brothers documentaries spill over with memorable characters. Among them are Marlon Brando, Mick Jagger, Truman Capote and the Beatles; however, none stick in your mind like Big and Little Edie. Unhinged aristocrats surrounded by garbage.

Three decades later, Grey Gardens is unrecognizable. The roof has been repaired, the overgrown gardens tamed and the cats buried. Yet the legacy continues at the sacred site of the cult film classic. In her film *Wild Blue Yonder*, Celia Maysles, daughter of the late David Maysles, revisits the gardens to wander along the same paths her father did years ago, camera in hand.

"I knew nothing about my father until I started making this film." Celia says in the opening shot of her work in progress, which screened last week at a private home in New York. In another scene she descends into a basement piled up with boxes "Okay, Dad, I'm here to find pieces of you."

Wild Blue Yonder is her attempt to reach her father through his own medium. In 1987, Celia was seven years old when her father died of an unexpected stroke. The four year court battle that followed, between her family and Albert Maysles, left her estranged from her uncle, Maysles Films Inc. and her father's legacy. When I met her she was eighteen years old and had no memory of him at all. Now, with a tiny, hand held digital camera, she documents herself with the unflinching lens of the cinema verité style. She

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LUMINOUS, MYSTERIOUS & PROFOUNDLY EXPRESSIVE

By Debbie Tuma

April Gornick sees the poetry of landscapes, and she has chosen to capture the space and light in creating these scenes from both the East End and in her travels around the world. Now, a complete body of her major works is available in a beautiful coffee table book, which has been years in the making.

Last Saturday, Gornick, of North Haven, signed and talked about her new retrospective book, simply called *April Gornick—Paintings and Drawings*, at Canio's Books in Sag Harbor. She told a packed crowd how this book, which came out earlier this year, coincided with her retrospective show which opened last year at the Neuberger Museum of Art in Purchase, New York, and traveled for four months to The Art Gallery of Nova Scotia to the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery & Sculpture Garden in Lincoln, Nebraska. Lucinda H. Gedeon, Director of the Neuberger Museum of Art, wrote the acknowledgement in the book, which was published by Hudson Hills Press of New York and Manchester, in conjunction with the museum.

Gedeon called Gornick's landscape paintings and drawings "luminous, mysterious, and profoundly expressive." In her talk, Gornick explained that although she may get these images from a specific location, she may rework and reinterpret them to the point where they no longer resemble the real thing.

"I like to use my imagination, and I often construct images from my dreams, or from photos, or digital images in Photo Shop," she said from the podium. "There is also a metaphorical nature to my imagery, for example, in my painting entitled "Two Rocks." Here, she explained, the rocks represent an architectural image, like a portal, and have a mystery about them. She said certain imagery, like

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reads through the scrawled notes from his private journals. She weaves clips of their acclaimed films *Grey Gardens*, *Gimme Shelter* and *Salesman* with verité interviews with filmmakers that David mentored, including Susan Froemke (*Christo in Paris, Grey Gardens, Lalee's Kin*) Bruce Sinofsky and Joe Berlinger (*Paradise Lost, Brothers Keeper)* and Henry Corra (*Umbrellas, Same Sex America*) along with film subjects Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Mick Jagger, and Keith Richards.

In *Wild Blue Yonder*, Celia takes us on a riveting journey from a basement filled with memories, rare photos, and mementos to East Hampton's famed mansion Grey Gardens, to the artist Christo's Gates in Central Park, and ultimately, to her uncle, Al Maysles. In an interview, documentary filmmaker D.A. Pennebaker (*Don't Look Back*) laughs about the archaic way they shot film back then, when distribution was like "trying to sell bananas in the jungle." Susan Freomke describes her days at the front desk, dealing with debt collectors and fending off enraged and leather-clad Hells Angels after *Gimme Shelter.* However, most of the time is spent with Albert, who reveals his brother's persona through intimate tidbits and anecdotes, discussing everything from their process to their early family life. We learn that just before he died, David had begun an autobiographical film of his own called *Blue Yonder,* where he turned the camera on himself to re-examine his life, his family, and the characters in his films to try to understand himself and his art.

In the first part of *Wild Blue Yonder* Celia focuses on *Grey Gardens,* interviewing Susan Froemke, Muffie Meyer and Albert Maysles, as well as the only surviving member from the cast of the film, Lois Wright.

"I believe there was a little place in David that believed Edie might leave home," Muffie Meyer says. But Big and Little Edie remained together in Grey Gardens long after the Maysles left them, class-conscious, deluded, and adrift in a world of their own.

She speaks of the stagnant life they lived, how the only thing that changes in *Grey Gardens* is Little Edie's outfit. We learn that Meyer edited clips around Edie's various ensembles, distinguishing chunks of time by pantyhose tied around her head, then a turban, an inside-out skirt, bathing suit or tablecloth.

Lois Wright, who lives in a small flat cluttered with paintings in East Hampton, recalls her thirteen month stay at Grey Gardens fondly, and speaks of the recluses with tenderness. She might have stayed there with them, she tells Celia, "if it weren't for the fleas." She points out the coat Onassis gave Little Edie in one scene, and describes how she cut off the sleeves later to handle trash better and reminds Celia of "how much she liked David……"

How could she have forgotten: "Darling David, where have you been all my life? Where have you been?" Little Edie calls out as she finishes a painful drum majorette routine. "All I needed was this man, David."

"They were the first people to knock on their door in a very long time," Susan Freomke explains. "Little Edie thought of them as suitors." All that comes back in response to this extraordinary unfolding by the two recluses. Their desperate howls of affection and desperate performance is a quick view in the mirror of the Maysles brothers, one at work on the camera, the other on the microphone. They barely spoke at all during those six weeks.

The Maysles were already famous by that time, for a slew of incisive and sensitive documentaries. *Meet Marlon Brando, Showman, Christo in Paris, A Visit with Truman Capote*. The brothers were known as pioneers of cinema verité, innovators of a new kind of story — one that was gritty, stripped bare and unadulterated. This is a world far from Reality TV and *Bowling for Columbine*. Their purpose not to create a story but to uncover one, catch life off guard and let the truth erupt. "Come in, we're not ready at all," said Little Edie upon their arrival.

I first saw Celia's father, on film, during a screening of *Gimme Shelter* at the Film Forum. Celia leaned over to me and said, "That's my father's elbow." Besides these moments, a flash of their reflections or a disembodied voice, the Maysles are flies on the wall. "They knew how to vanish," explains filmmaker Pennebaker to Celia. "But it was David who opened the door."

The Maysles had a comforting charm that could disarm the most private people. They were there in rural California (for *Running Fence* 1978) as Christo and Jeanne-Claude plot in tandem to persuade locals to allow them to put up a 24-mile, 18-foot high fence of white nylon fabric supported by cables and steel poles running from

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	Manhattan / 69th St.	8:35	9:35	11:35	**1:35**	**3:35**	**5:35**	**6:35**	**9:05**	**9:35**
	Manhattan / 59th St.	8:40	9:40	11:40	**1:40**	**3:40**	**5:40**	**6:40**	**9:10**	**9:40**
	Manhattan / 40th St.	9:00	10:00	**12:00**	**2:00**	**4:00**	**6:00**	**7:00**	**9:30**	**10:00**
	Airport Connection	9:20	10:20	**12:20**	**2:25**	**4:25**	**6:25**	**7:25**	**9:50**	**10:20**
ARRIVING	Manorville	10:30	11:30	**1:30**	**3:30**	**6:05**	**7:35**	**8:35**	**11:00**	**11:30**
	Westhampton	10:50	11:50	**1:50**	**3:50**	**6:20**	**7:50**	**8:50**	**11:15**	**11:45**
	Quogue	10:55	11:55	**1:55**	**3:55**	**6:25**	**7:55**	**8:55**	**11:20**	**11:50**
	East Quogue	11:05	**12:05**	**2:05**	**4:05**	**6:35**	**8:05**	**9:05**	**11:30**	12:00
	Hampton Bays	11:10	**12:10**	**2:10**	**4:10**	**6:40**	**8:10**	**9:10**	**11:35**	12:05

Westbound (To Manhattan) Westhampton Line

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DEPARTING	Hampton Bays	5:05	6:10	8:15	10:15	**12:15**	**2:45**	**3:45**	**4:45**	**6:15**	**8:30**
	East Quogue	5:10	6:15	8:20	10:20	**12:20**	**2:50**	**3:50**	**4:50**	**6:20**	**8:35**
	Quogue	5:20	6:25	8:30	10:30	**12:30**	**3:00**	**4:00**	**5:00**	**6:30**	**8:45**
	Westhampton	5:30	6:35	8:40	10:40	**12:40**	**3:10**	**4:10**	**5:10**	**6:40**	**8:55**
	Manorville	5:45	6:50	8:55	10:55	**12:55**	**3:25**	**4:25**	**5:25**	**6:55**	**9:10**
ARRV.	Airport Connection	7:10	8:35	10:20	**12:20**	**2:20**	**4:50**	**5:50**	**6:50**	**8:20**	**10:35**
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Polar Bear

Hundreds of People Damn Near Freeze to Death at Cooper's Beach

Dan's DAREDEVILS

By Breck Archer

I turned right onto Halsey Neck Lane and cruised past the hedged yards of the exorbitantly large homes of Southampton. The time on the dashboard clock read 9:56 a.m. The temperature on the car thermometer read 39 degrees. I questioned myself as I cranked the heat: 'am I out of my mind?' But I knew I wasn't, and that there were a hundred other people about to join me in an arctic dive into the icy waters of the Atlantic. This past Saturday was the 2nd Annual Polar Bear Plunge, a charity event sponsored by the Human Resources of the Hamptons (HRH), an outreach program that seeks to aid the disenfranchised within our local community.

But I was not thinking about any of this as I held my hands up to the heating vents and pondered my fate, concentrating on how I would avoid hypothermia.

Breck and friend

The white sand dunes came into view at the end of the road. I pulled into the beach parking lot and made it to the edge of the sand. I popped (more like switched, because I don't have a clutch) my truck into 4-wheel drive and continued motoring onto the beach. The sun was high and bright and the glassy waves refracted a blinding light. The offshore breeze gave the ocean a perfect affect of appeal, an image that would appear inviting if it weren't for the near freezing temperatures outside. I started steering east towards Cooper's Beach and noticed a huge crowd spread out facing the crashing waves. I looked at the clock. It read 10:01 a.m. and I was late. At this moment the crowd began sprinting into the water. Piercingly loud shrieks and screams carried for miles across the endless blue abyss, yells of excitement; a psych-up before an adrenaline-induced shock. I pressed the gas pedal, peeled out, and raced for the lot of cars parked on the sand adjacent to the Cooper's Beach pavilion. I parked the truck and opened the door into a strong north blowing wind. I ripped off my sweat suit to reveal nothing but a pair of boardshorts and stared at the sea reluctantly. Immediately my body was covered in goose bumps and my jaw, teeth, and bones began to chatter like a Brazilian maraca.

Fortunately, I'm not a hypochondriac, but the idea of hypothermia did momentarily cross my mind. I had earlier read about hypothermia, just in case any symptoms did appear after my personal Polar Bear Plunge. I learned that hypothermia is a medical condition that occurs when the core body temperature drops below 95 degrees Fahrenheit. The symptoms include amnesia, ataxia (clumsiness), cold skin, confusion (which can progress to delirium), diuresis, dysarthia (a neurological speech disorder), gray complexion, hypokinesia (the slowing of muscular movement), increased muscle spasm, low blood pressure, cyanosis (the bluish coloring of the skin), rapid breathing and heart rate, shivering, tremor, uncontrollable bleeding if wounded (due to reduced coagulating enzyme activity), and weakness, ultimately resulting in death. But I was not worried; I had a towel.

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Jay Rutherfurd, 89

By Dick Rossé

Is there anyone of a certain age in these parts who didn't know or love Jay Rutherfurd? His Southampton home on Huntting Street (which he called "Malaprop") was the scene of innumerable gatherings for the area's best and brightest. Regardless of your station, a visit to Malaprop and the warm ministrations of Jay and his wife Betty was an occasion to be sought and cherished. He brought the same warmth to the personal essays he penned for this newspaper for a number of years.

I became a Friend of Jay nearly half a century ago when he showed up at our New York radio network headquarters where I was Bureau Chief. He introduced himself and asked if Mutual needed a stringer in Madrid, where he planned to live for the next few years. Press cards didn't cost the company a cent, so I gave him one with the admonition not to call us with story suggestions. We would cable him in the unlikely event we needed something from Spain.

Months later, I received a telex from Madrid. Jay wrote to say he had learned that Stalin's daughter had defected and was requesting political asylum in the U.S. With some hesitation (the report was pretty far-fetched) I got the story mentioned in our next newscast. We had scooped the rest of the industry by 36 hours, thanks to Jay's impeccable sources at the American Embassy.

When an Air Force B-52 carrying a hydrogen bomb crashed in the waters near Spain, Jay was there to feed reports and interviews with the Ambassador, Angier Biddle Duke, who swam in those waters to assure the nervous Spanish people that there was no danger of radiation.

Jay had a life-long love affair with journalism. He was a self-described gofer at the old *New York Daily Mirror* in the grand old days when the likes of Walter Winchell and Damon Runyon held forth. He was a camera assistant to the Pathe film team that watched in horror as the Hindenburg exploded and crashed at Lakehurst, New Jersey in 1937. He knew and interviewed such diverse celebs as Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and "Hitler's favorite commando" Otto Skorzeny. He was a founder of the Duke Box, a social club in Southampton whose membership included the aforementioned Angier Duke, pianist and WXQR personality Jacques Frey, the dashing white Russian prince Serge Obolensky and New Yorker cartoonist Charles Addams.

In the early 70s, Jay found a way to indulge his love of journalism, history and political affairs. He provided the idea and the seed money for an audio-visual program to be housed at Duke University. The idea was to videotape prominent personalities, mining their memories for information that researchers would have access to. Jay's brainchild is now an important component of the DeWitt Wallace Center at Duke.

In his later years, Jay was happiest sitting with a bunch of close friends, sipping brandy, smoking a fine cigar and listening to a thoughtful discussion of some political policy issue. Often as not, one of his guests would be an architect of that policy.

But Jay won't be remembered for whom he knew. Despite his proximity to the rich and powerful, he lived his life with refreshing modesty, simplicity and generosity. All his friends can consider themselves privileged to have had the pleasure of his company.

Polar

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I was here for a reason, though, and I knew hesitation was out of the question. Without thinking I embarked on a full sprint towards the 44-degree ocean water. The next 30 seconds were a blurry haze of shock, confusion, and cold. My feet were splashed first, feeling as if I was walking on a bed of pins and needles. I was one of the last stragglers to enter the water and I heard shouts of encouragement coming from the spectators on the beach. 'Shut up!' I silently scolded them. They knew not the pain I was about to succumb to. I was chest deep in the chilly waters and still pressing on. It was time to take the dive. I'm not sure whether it was the frigid liquid injecting the entire surface area of my skin like a thousand ice diamonds, or when my head submerged and brought upon an ice cream headache that caused my sinuses to cave in. But that split-second underwater was an exuberant awakening, not just from my hangover, but also from the grind of ordinary living. I made my way out of the water and wrapped myself tightly in a towel. The initial pain was gone and I was making my way up to the pavilion to donate a couple of dollars to HRH and warm my bones with a hot cup of coffee. The pavilion was crowded with smiles and red noses and cheeks. The various merchants were serving chili, soup, coffee, tea, donuts, and other delicious snacks any pre-hypothermic body would crave. I was scolded by at least 5 different people for only wearing my bathing suit and not covering up my feet. The community was only looking out for me. Donation jars sat on counters and were filled with bills. The sub-zero shock was overwhelming, but we were all in it for something more than just a personal experience.

Doing something absurd like jumping into near-freezing water in the middle of December makes life exciting. To see the crowd of several

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Tricks of the Trade for Affordable Housing in East & Southampton

By David Lion Rattiner

The words "affordable housing" and "the Hamptons" don't usually go hand in hand. We all look at the real estate classifieds and think to ourselves, how the heck can anyone afford to live out here? Well, the towns of East Hampton and Southampton have recognized this problem for quite some time now and have made some huge efforts in the past year to provide affordable housing to hard working town residents who want to have their own home, raise a family and don't want to leave the South Fork.

East Hampton Supervisor Bill McGintee and Southampton Supervisor Patrick Heaney played key roles in building affordable homes

There are many reasons why the Hamptons needs affordable housing. For one, we like having hard working, blue-collar people around. As more and more original "Bonackers" are putting their houses on the market for half-a-million dollars, more and more of the charm that makes this area special goes along with it. Town governments don't want to see themselves turned into a mini New York City. The logic is that if affordable homes are built then the next generation of fisherman, firemen volunteers, marina workers, police officers, builders, teachers and other jobs of this nature will have a place to call their own, which is the way it should be.

Last week, people that are qualified for affordable homes found themselves crossing their fingers in the hopes that their names would be picked for the new homes that have been built in Bridgehampton and East Hampton. Only eight homes are available for the nearly 70 applicants that applied for the Bridgehampton homes. And so they literally put everyone's name in a basket, tumbled the basket around and picked out some names.

Just how the heck all of this affordable housing business works is quite interesting. Both the Town of East Hampton and the Town of Southampton have taken on two different ways of tackling the issue, but both accomplish the same goal.

You probably already know of the Real Estate Transfer Tax that gets put into the Community Preservation Fund. The money from this tax is collected when any piece of real estate is sold in the town of Southampton or East Hampton. Due to some of the high property values, the towns have managed to get a lot of money from the tax. But the money has a purpose and that purpose is to buy property that the town can conserve and prevent the building of mini mansions, commercial development and general environmental destruction. They have purchased a lot of land.

The towns have designated some of this land for the purpose of building affordable housing. Southampton Town has designated some of the property on the Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike in Bridgehampton. In East Hampton, the affordable housing is located near Accabonac Road in Springs. East Hampton Town Supervisor Bill McGintee and Southampton Town Supervisor Patrick Heaney have both played key roles in building affordable homes and should be thanked for their work.

But how the heck can they make the homes affordable? And what about the property values? Are they going to be able to be resold for half a million dollars after being purchased by a qualified couple for only $170,000? Both towns have come up with creative ways to keep these homes affordable for good.

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Polar

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hundred gathered on the beach, some in overcoats, gloves, and hats, and some in boardshorts and wetsuits, makes one feel there is a strange, unspoken vibe in the community. Participating in an otherwise ridiculous activity while donating in the name of a good cause, or by basically doing anything beyond personal desire is what the holidays are all about. Sacrificing comfort for an altruistic cause is what makes this time of year special. The 2nd Annual Polar Bear Plunge is an example of extreme sacrifice of comfort. Actually, it wasn't that bad, and I'm ready to do it again. This time in my birthday suit. How does February sound?

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HRH was founded thirty years ago by a group of Southampton community members who congressed in order to find ways to take care of those in need. The HRH organization currently provides assistance to over 6,000 needy folks by providing free medical transportation for the handicapped, crisis intervention and outreach offices, and charitable clothing and household distribution. The HRH office in Southampton even has a food pantry and food storage facilities.

House

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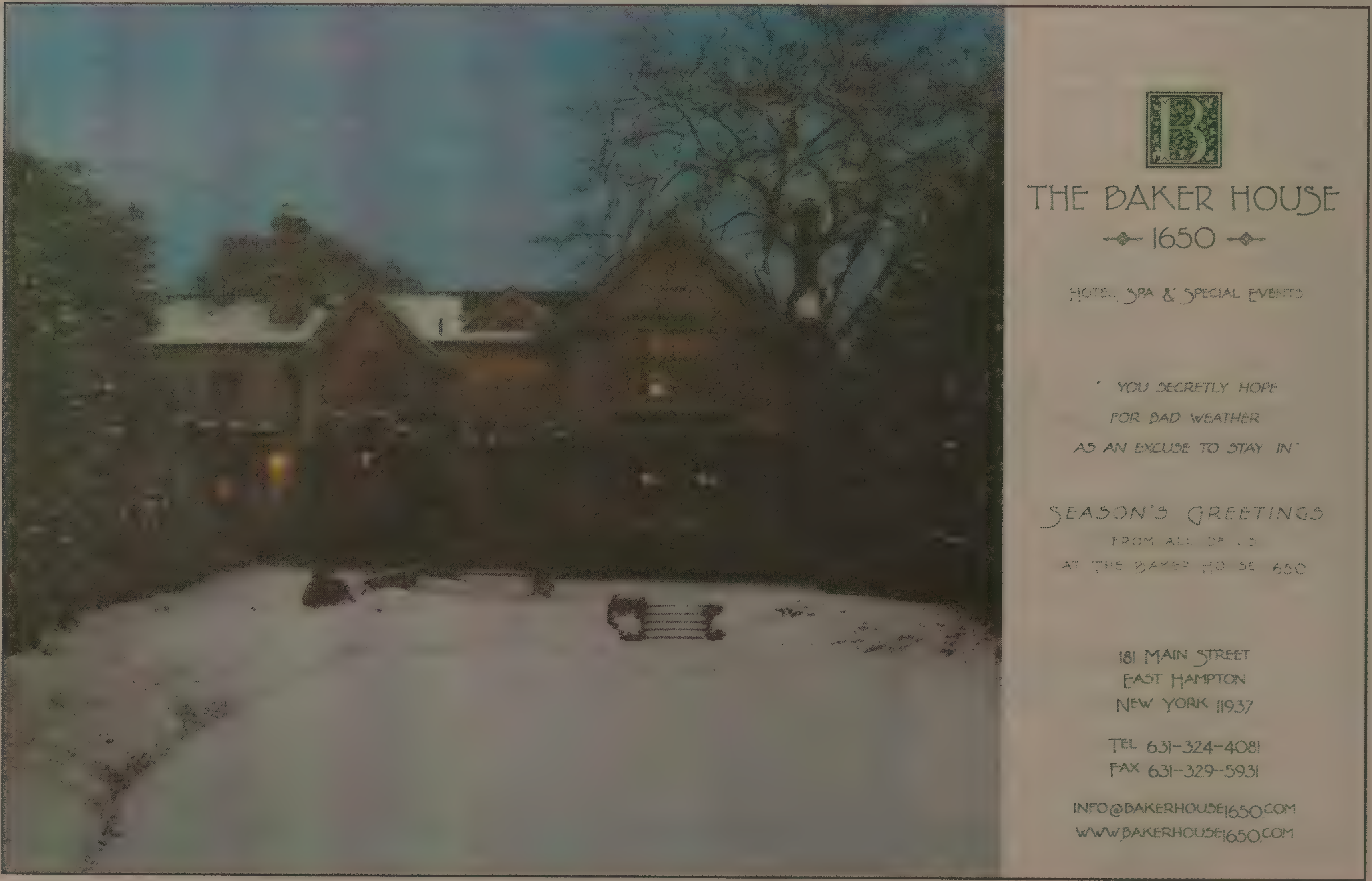
East Hampton is designating certain building lots for homes and is going to lease the land to a qualified buyer of the actual house for 99 years for nothing. The homeowner simply has to purchase the home for the cost of building the physical structure, which ranges around $150,000 to $200,000. Now a smart person might say, "Why the heck would I take out a $170,000 mortgage on a property that I didn't own? What if I want to sell it? What makes this different than simply renting a home? Is this home an investment?"

The answers are interesting. If a person purchases one of these properties, they cannot sell it at market value, meaning they can't ask for a bizzillion dollars for it. However, they can sell it for more than what they paid for it. The homes in East Hampton are tied to the consumer price index for the United States. This means that the value of the homes will go up (assuming housing prices for the country keep going up) but they will not be able to be sold for double or triple in two years should they be on the actual market. This little trick makes it so that a person using this program would have an incentive to keep the property for a long time, but also allows gives them the option to sell the property for more or eventually pay off the mortgage.

The town of Southampton has done something similar but not exactly. They offer the entire house and the property for a price under $200,000 dollars with a restrictive covenant that the house could not be sold until ten years after its purchase. For a while, as they were exploring how to do this, that meant that after ten years it could be sold at market value. To prevent this, Southampton tried making the restrictive covenant last in perpetuity. But New York State law does not allow these types of clauses. After a lot of legal wrangling, they came up with some pretty creative legislation to keep the houses affordable in the long term. After the legislation passed, an affordable home has a revolving covenant that establishes a priority list for who the owner can sell it to and for how much (determined by the town). When it is sold, the owner receives a share of its increased value, minus the subsidies that made it affordable and the town's share of the equity. When it is resold, the house must be sold to the town or to a qualified, moderate-income buyer. However, the home could be sold at market value, unlike that in East Hampton. Should this happen, the town collects part of the increased value along with the buyer. The money then gets put back into the affordable housing fund of Southampton.

If this works out to be a success, the towns plan on doing similar projects in the future. The point is that if you are a hardworking resident of the town with a moderate income and are looking to raise a family, purchasing an affordable home from the town is an option worth looking into.



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Who's Here

By Jerry Cimisi

Jay Sears

Architect

A generation ago, Jay Lockett Sears of Quogue had a literally miraculous experience that added another dimension to his career as a successful architect. Though even before that, his life seemed to have begun with small — or not so small — miracles.

"When my mother was pregnant with me, she was rescued from a second floor window by a boat here in Quogue during the Hurricane of 1938. If that hadn't happened I might not have been born the following May."

Sears' maternal grandparents had had a house on the beach in the Hamptons since 1890, the decade when New York's well-to-do had begun creating the summer colony of Long Island's South Fork (made more accessible by the newly laid tracks of the railroad). Lockett was Sears' grandfather's name, a man who "made his money on Wall Street," said Sears.

Sears grew up in Westchester's Pelham Manor. He went to Exeter in New Hampshire, "with Peter Benchley, who was trying to write *Jaws*, and eventually did," as Sears put it. Being arguably the best secondary school in the country, there were other noted classmates: "Mike Rockefeller, along with Tim Worth, Jack Hynes and Mike Ravenel, who became governors or senators."

It was obviously a brilliant lot. "There were guys who dreamt in Greek, who spoke in Latin," said Sears. "I didn't do too well. I had a sensitivity that didn't seem to fit. I felt closed in there. I began to stutter.

"I liked to write, I liked to draw. Architectural drawings. My father was an architect. With my poor grades I was turned down by Yale, where my father and brother had both gone. I went to Pratt where I did pretty well."

Like his father, Sears became an architect. In 1962, he was planning to go to the west coast. "You can say I had my surfboard on the car and was just about to leave when my father asked me to design something with him," related Sears.

As Sears and Sears, father and son designed homes on the East End. "I was trained in the contemporary mode," said Sears. "Clean sharp lines. It was innovative in those days." By his reckoning, Sears has been involved in the design of some 2,000 homes.

Sears' father passed away in 1973. Sears continued to work on his own. But, he said, "By the end of the 70s I was kind of fed up with things. At the time I thought it was my clients. Some are always difficult to please, but in reality it was my inability to deal with myself, to assert myself. I realized I wasn't happy."

> **Whenever I might have strayed from my path of helping others, God would do something as if to say, 'Snap out of it.'"**

Then an opportunity came up that gave Sears a chance to go to the west coast again. "I would be with another architect to design Clint Eastwood's house in Carmel. But before I was to fly out there, I had two or three recurring dreams —that I was in a plane and there were flames coming from the front of the plane, rushing back at me where I was sitting, in the middle of the plane. It was like in the movie *La Bamba*, when Ritchie Valens had a similar dream but he flew anyway and died in a plane crash.

"I took this dream seriously. I changed my plans and flew out a week early." Sears went from JFK to Denver, to Portland to visit his brother, then to California. There was no trouble on these flights.

Sears was meeting with the other architect in Santa Barbara. There was a call from Eastwood about Indian burial remains found on his property, so there might be some trouble building there — and then, from a radio in the drawing room.......

"There was a news report of an American Airlines flight out of Portland going down the previous night," said Sears. "Everyone was presumed dead. The plane broke apart in the middle, where I would have been sitting. That was the flight I would have been on. It turned out there were a few survivors, but not many."

Understandably shaken, Sears excused himself and went outside. "I wound up sitting on a park bench. It was November, it had been cloudy and rainy for a week, but suddenly the sun came out. I was sitting there, in shock, when a middle-aged man walked by. He passed, then turned around, came back and said to me, 'I'm sorry to bother you, I just have to ask you, has anything happened to you in the last 24 hours?'"

Sears told him. The man went on, "Because there's a bright light, an aura, from your head and shoulders."

The man said Sears had been given a second chance, that he was supposed to return from where he had come. Sears protested, related the job opportunity in California. The man replied, "No, you're not meant to be here. You have to go back. You will be able to make lives better."

Sears said, "He added that he belonged to a certain church, I don't remember which, then went on his way. I never saw him again. And I went back."

Suffused with feeling he had been given a second chance at life, Jay Lockett Sears did in fact make the lives of others better.

He had already been a member of the Quogue Fire Department and had been and would continue to be involved in life or death situations with others. "I remember one car

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Sears

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crash, a policeman and I trying to bring a young girl back from the dead. Even though she was brain dead, she survived long enough for her parents to visit her and decide to allow her to pass on. She was so strong, and I felt she gave some of her spirit to me."

Sears was voted Fireman of the Year once and helped put out the Sunrise fires of 1995. He became Director of the Family Counseling Center. He worked with Little Flower, a home for difficult or unwanted children in Wading River. He would visit the mentally challenged, "to show them that others thought they were worthwhile human beings. It was so gratifying to bring a smile to these people."

He joined the rescue team of the Red Cross. "I was involved with the rescue efforts of Flight 800. I felt God had put me right there to see what might have happened to me years before but from which I had been saved. Whenever I might have strayed from my path of helping others, God would do something like that, as if to say, 'Snap out of it.'" Sears helped young Coast Guard men and women, and Navy divers "deal with the trauma of finding not just bodies but body parts."

Sears had already been involved in what he called "midnight runs" into New York to help the homeless with food and clothing. "Here I was, designing million dollars homes, giving a coat to someone who slept in a box."

Sears recalled once when approaching a group on the street, there was a man standing apart. "He was blind. He said God had told him I was coming tonight."

It was directly after his experience with Flight 800 that Sears began his own organization, Mission of Kindness, to help local families in crisis situations. "I realized I didn't have to go into the city to help the homeless.

"It's terrible when you see a single mother with kids and no money for food — or even worse. In 1997-98, the county started to house homeless families in motels." Sears would visit these families, and try to meet their needs.

"You'd confront room after room of kids and no food." Collecting donations, but mostly with his own funds ("I probably spend about $1500 a week of my own money on this," Sears said), Sears would bring food, try to arrange for other housing for families, for medical car and transportation.

He acknowledged that charity alone could not save many problems. He related how he had brought food to some people, came back the next day to find the food had been sold for drugs. When he refused to give food a second time, he was threatened with a knife.

There was a cycle of mental and emotional problems that was hard to break. "The parents of these individuals could not correct certain things in their lives; all this gets passed down, on and on."

But Sears could not stop giving of himself. Mother Teresa is his role model. "She believed that love was the greatest force. She went to the most unwanted and outcast and showed them love. Love is nothing without action."

Mission of Kindness is, essentially, Jay Lockett Sears and his Executive Director, Theresa Solan.

Sears said, "Why is anyone put on earth? I design homes. A storm can come, a wind, and they're gone. What matters is the love you leave behind. We are what we think. Put good thoughts in your head and that's what you become. Good thoughts lead to good acts.

"God gives you a gift—it's your job to define it and share it with others. Once someone saw a light in me. Now I have the power to see the lights, the possibilities in others, to inspire them, to show them that along with the hardness of the world there is a lot of love."

Maysles

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Sonoma County to the Pacific. In the late 1960s, the Maysles came upon Paul Brennan and three associates, peddling illustrated bibles door to door through Blue collar Boston. With a 16 mm camera and tape recorder, they followed them to conventions, poker games and into the lonely motel rooms, where Brennan, a real life Willy Loman, faces his failure. It became *Salesman*.

The Maysles found ordinary things, ordinary characters and disclosed them, revealed them and showed how unique is a human life. How fragile it is.

In 1972, the team traveled to the isolated Altamont Speedway in Livermore, California.

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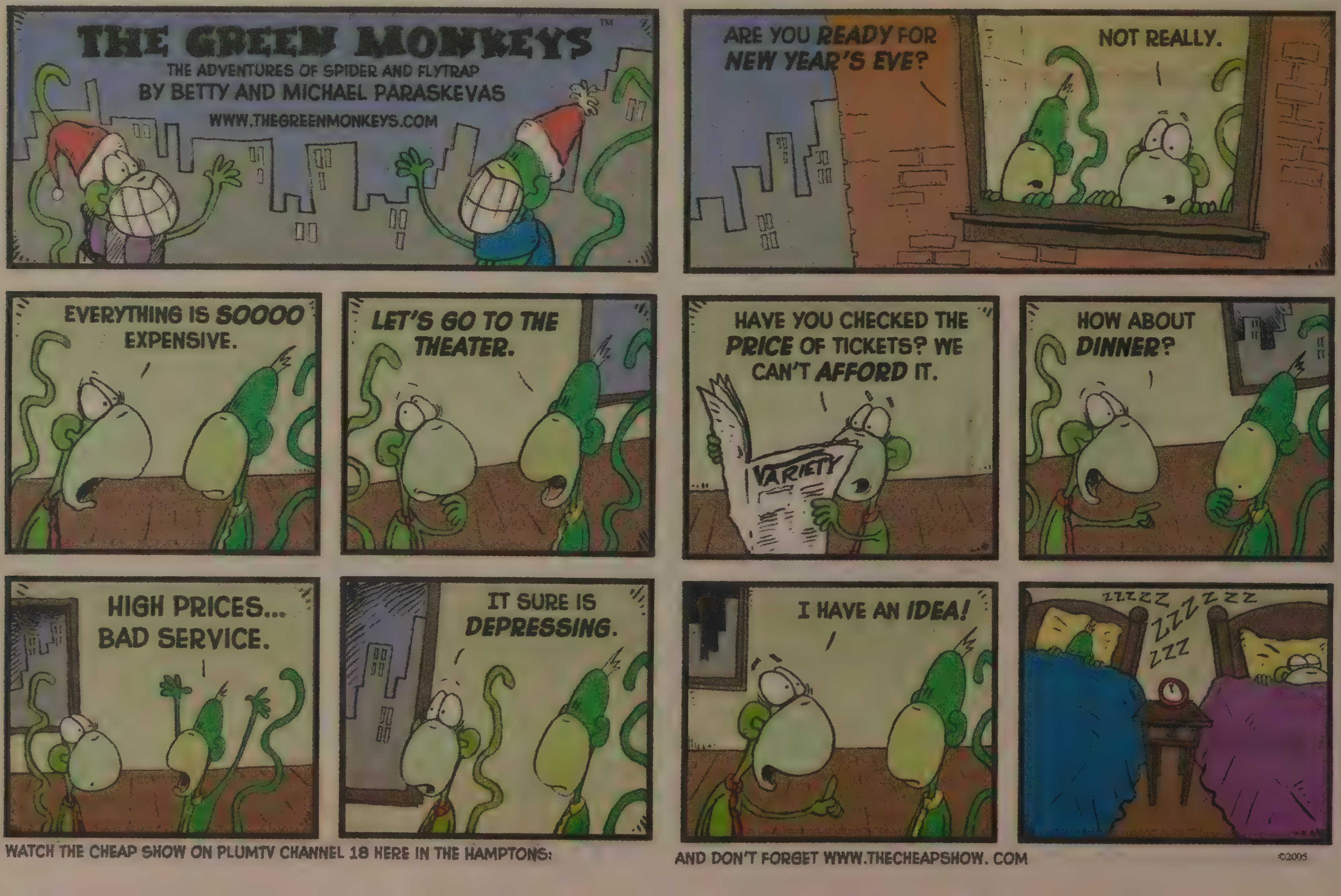
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Is This Gross?

All too often I find myself in situations where I question whether or not what I am doing is healthy. Just the other day I was in the men's locker rooms at Stony Brook University where I work part time as an assistant coach to the varsity rowing team. Sometimes I like to work out with the team during practice. I know this is kind of a weird thing for a coach to do, but to be honest, it is really the main reason I agreed to coach. Anyway, after practice I needed to shower up and hustle back to *Dan's Papers* and get some work done.

Stony Brook University has a pretty impressive sports complex with showers and locker rooms that seem to run on forever. I had remembered to bring a towel, but I totally forgot to bring some soap. Usually showers have liquid soap, at least the gyms that I have been in. But here I was standing in the shower and looking at a bar of soap in the locker room and it wasn't mine. Should I use this soap? I mean I am standing here and getting some water on me. I think for the most part I am getting clean, but I really am not going to feel right about this shower unless I have some kind of soap. I sat in the shower for about fifteen minutes trying to figure out if using a bar of soap from an unknown source was a good idea. After all, I could just wash the soap off with the soap itself. I use plates cleaned with soap at restaurants that other people have used. I tried to figure out what diseases, rashes and other things that I could get from using this bar of soap. To be honest, I really had no idea. Maybe if I ran the soap under hot water until it reached half of its size it would be safe to use. Can you die from using a bar of soap from an unknown source? I became stressed out and decided that I can't risk it. I felt lousy all day at work.

Who the hell brings a bar of soap into a public shower and leaves it there anyway? Probably some disease filled maniac. I ran the story by a couple of co-workers. The general response was, "ARE YOU NUTS? HOW COULD YOU EVEN CONSIDER IT?"

I started to feel like an idiot, which is a pretty common feeling for me, but I try to avoid it, so I didn't make an argument. The more I think about it though, if I ran it under hot water and let the soap disintegrate to half its size, I would still be alive today.

A similar situation happened to me over the weekend. I met up with an old college friend in Manhattan at his apartment. This guy is one of my best friends from college in Boston. He is a handsome, healthy, just-about-to-graduate-college guy with plans of taking over the world of finance. He packed just about everything he needed from Boston on his trip back to New York City. Unfortunately for him, however, he forgot his toothbrush. It was late, we were heading to bed when he asked me the question that is a test of true friendship, "Dude, I forgot my toothbrush. Can I borrow yours?"

The very thought of this just disgusted me. "Can't you use your finger?"

"Come on, man, that is just gross."

"So is using my toothbrush!"

"What is the big deal, I run it under hot water! I'm dying here."

"Can't we go buy a new one?"

"It's four thirty in the morning!"

The city that never sleeps, my ass. At four thirty in the morning in New York City you can purchase a roasted French bred duck, imported caviar, and fresh tuna sashimi that was caught off the waters of Cape Cod, but you can't get a toothbrush. How am I supposed to lend this kid my toothbrush? Will we still be friends if I don't? I can't risk that. He can use it, but I'm not using it when he's done.

"Okay, man, but I'm brushing first."

The following day I bought a new toothbrush from a guy who was coughing and sneezing as he handed me over my change and the toothbrush, which by the way is not completely sealed in its packaging. Toothbrushes are packaged in this way where it makes it easy to open with your thumb by peeling open a part of the packaging on the back that is exposed to, God forbid, air.

I got to stop reading articles on CNN.COM about the flu.

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Who

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Lenny Bruce, under arrest, 1959

way of bonding more than women do, except for women in sororities, who curse as much as the men do in fraternities. It accomplishes the same thing that is accomplished when children wrestle playfully with one another.

Studies have been made of people who have a disease called Tourette's Syndrome. This is a disease of the brain which results in a sudden outburst of odd behavior —the exhibition of strange facial tics, certain repetitive motor behavior, and the uttering of odd grunts and yips. About 10% of people with Tourette's Syndrome will suddenly and without warning, issue a long stream of curses, profanity and invective, sometimes directed at somebody. It passes. It doesn't seem to have meant anything. Often the person with Tourette's is embarrassed to have exhibited this behavior.

Scientists, who are increasingly in the habit of attaching electrodes to people's heads have determined that this behavior from Tourette's patients boils up from an area of the brain that coordinates body movement and generates speech. Also activated is the area of greatest human emotion, and then an area known as the "throne" of human behavior where decisions are made to either do something or not do it. Here, a person is urged to speak the unspeakable. And, briefly, does.

Or to put it another way, when they get the black box out of the wreckage of the plane crash, the last words that the pilot says, almost invariably, are "oh sh-t."

To cut to the chase with all of this, it seems that Howard Stern is onto something.

Over the years, I have watched as public opinion about cursing has waxed and waned. The issue was never about the existence of cursing. It was about whether it should be allowed as public behavior.

During World War II, the troops cursed freely. But back at home, cursing was forbidden. In war movies, nobody ever said a bad word. And men and women, even married men and women, always slept in separate beds. One of the biggest events in film was in 1939 when in the movie *Gone With the Wind*, Clark Gable, said, "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn." And the censors let it through. He said damn.

Around twenty years later, Lenny Bruce, a stand-up comic, began using curse words in his routine in a New York club and it caused a sensation. He used them, he said, because they just came out of him. They increased passion and meaning. And in the end they released stress and transformed anger into humor. At the time, America was being run by what was seen as a humorless, military-industrial establishment. These were fat old men in business suits with narrow ties and a bad attitude. Men with no sense of humor. Men who seemed in need of letting off a little steam, but seemed unable to do it. You can make a case that men this uptight make bad decisions.

The American Civil Liberties Union was established and it fought for the freedom to say these forbidden words in the belief that they were a form of art, or were a form of enhancing the experience of art. The Supreme Court upheld this view. And the floodgates opened, although it was too late for Lenny Bruce, who was arrested and convicted, his defense in court botched by bad legal advice. Ultimately he died young.

From that day until just five years ago, our culture was rich with the use of these unmentionable words, mentioned when needed to add dimension and passion to something. And now, on FCC television and radio, banned again.

And nobody has said a word in protest. Makes you wonder, doesn't it?

My own personal theory is that there are times in our culture when we must keep our emotions and feelings in check while we do something that goes totally against the grain of human behavior. Fight a war, for example. Go out and kill people who want to kill you.

On television, these days, the "Sopranos" is in reruns, with all the bad words bleeped out and a documentary about the War in Iraq, which includes all the cursing going on by all the soldiers over there, was briefly held up until the censors decided that it was just the soldiers doing what soldiers had to do under the circumstances. For the sake of accuracy, let it go.

The whole thing does help to explain why we do not want young children either exposed to swear words or using them. They are wild Indians at this young age. There is behavior they have to learn to keep in check. Hitting, for example. Or relieving themselves in inappropriate places. It seems to make sense to keep them from the temptation of the verbally unmentionable. They'll learn about it soon enough.

As for Howard Stern, the man is cashing in on this, and there is a reason it is him and not someone else. Mr. Stern is an utter free spirit. He has gone beyond where he might feel any difference between a mentionable word and an unmentionable word and to listen to him perform is to share in that sense of freedom. He says whatever the hell he wants. You don't often come across somebody so totally free in front of a hundred million people.

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Luminous

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these two rocks that she saw for the first time in Arizona, recur in her paintings.

"I've always been inspired by light and space, and how they can be metaphorical and mysterious," said Gornick. "I realized I wanted to make landscapes that had poetry in them. This led to landscapes where light and space are both literal and are also metaphors for other things like life and death."

Gornick talked about her roots in Cleveland, Ohio, and how she graduated from the Cleveland Institute of Art, and then earned her Masters at Nova Scotia College of Art and Design in 1976. She moved to New York City in 1978, when the prevailing art movements were minimalism and conceptualism, and she tried painting and drawing interiors.

"I thought I'd try to keep up with what was expected at those times, but I didn't feel good about doing interiors, and I never showed any of these works," she said. "During that era, the landscape as a subject matter was debased, but I later realized that I find them consistently fascinating, because I'm drawn to light and space in a deeply spiritual way." Gornick shared with the audience how she struggled with self-doubt while doing interiors and not doing landscapes. "Sometimes the way to know what you want to do is to try doing something you don't want to do," she explained.

Her new book, which is available in soft cover and hard cover, has illustrations of all her major work from 1980 to 2003. Besides her mystical and magical drawings and paintings, it includes an overview by Donald Kuspit and an interview with Gornick by Dede Young, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art, at the Neuberger Museum of Art.

Gornick talked about the book's cover, which is a painting called, "The Fall 2001," which she did after 9/11. "There is a sense of the ominousness of this whole event, which is meaningful to me," she said. "The picture is a collage of a specific field on Long Island, and a vision I had of a sunlit field but an ominous dark sky." She said she used a photo of a sky from New Mexico that she had seen, collaged together with the Long Island field. Another painting of interest is the last small painting in the book, called, "Rain, Sun Cloud," from 2004, because from this, she has done a whole series of sea and cloud paintings.

Gornick, who has lived in Sag Harbor with her husband, the artist Eric Fischl, since 1985, has exhibited extensively on the East End at Guild Hall of East Hampton, where she received a lifetime achievement award in 2002, and also at the Parrish Art Museum in Southampton and Glen Horowitz Gallery in East Hampton. She presently has an exhibit at Danese Gallery in New York, until December 23, of storm and sea paintings, and some influenced by her trip to China in 2004.

April Gornick—Paintings and Drawings is available at Canio's and other local bookstores, and you can check her website at aprilgornick.com

Maysles

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Immersed in a freaked-out crowd and a violent clutch of Hell's Angels, they documented the catastrophic breakdown of order and the murder of an 18- year-old fan. This became the film *Gimme Shelter*.

In Celia's film, she reveals a more intimate moment from *Gimme Shelter*, as the band listens to a playback of "Wild Horses" in their studio. The camera rests on Keith Richards, who is mouthing out the words with his eyes closed.

"You gotta get those boots," David whispers in his brother's ear. Albert's camera pans across Keith's body, slowly over those long legs to his shredded snakeskin boots as they tap out the beat.

Despite the scandal that *Gimme Shelter* caused, it was *Grey Gardens* that received the most criticism. The Maysles brothers were called voyeurs and exploiters. Muffie Meyer recalls the "incredible confidence" that David harbored despite opposition. "He believed that if you tell the truth, the subjects will recognize it."

In the years before his death, David veered away from his brother for the personal, more introspective *Blue Yonder.* He knew it would be his last film, recalls a friend. "He said you only have so many films in you."

Albert describes the project, how the subjects David chose related to his own life, and that he would revisit them. He saw his mother in Edith and likened Mick Jagger to his dead cousin. The most poignant connection was to *Salesman's* subject, for the door-to-door bible pusher resembled David's father, who died when David was a child.

Like Celia, David Maysles, in *Blue Yonder,* was hoping to discover his father. As their stories overlap, Celia and her father reconnect through narrative. Clips of her searching for his grave are overlapped with a story of the brothers visiting theirs.

In *Blue Yonder*, David Maysles began to turn the camera around, on himself and his family and ultimately his work. Celia considers the project his dying words, the key to her questions. She breaks down before her uncle. She wants to hear his laugh, see his mannerisms, see him walk. However, only one copy of the unfinished film exists and it is in the clenched hands of Albert Maysles, and once again the family dispute is taut. However, Celia is positive about her work and knows the film is so much bigger than just that. She still needs $200,000 after the benefit last week but believes the project will find a way to happen.

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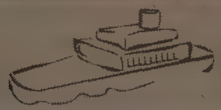

The Sheltered Islander

By Sally Flynn

Sheltered Islander #380

O Christmas tree, O Christmas tree...

Never mind Douglas, Spruce, Fir, Pine, blah, blah, blah,... there's other kinds of trees....

The Designer Tree: We see it on TV and in the stores. A big, beautifully decorated tree with color — coordinated ribbons and bulbs. Usually they have a theme... a Victorian Christmas, a French Provincial Christmas, Christmas in Tuscany, et. al. I love the designer trees. They are gorgeous and I always wish I could have one in my house. I try to create designer trees, but they just never look at all like the ones in the store.

Young Couples First Christmas Tree: These are strange affairs. Each of the couple's mothers donate ornaments for the couple's first tree and the result is a horrifying mishmash that makes a "Charlie Brown Christmas" tree look elegant by comparison. Half the ornaments are Coca Cola Bears on sleds, half are from the Island of Misfit Toys "The Bad Years" Collection. The benefit of that first really ugly tree is that it motivates the couple to pull it together the next year. They can box and donate the old ornaments to a landfill to save the whales.

The Bachelor Tree (courtesy of my single brothers): First off, a little known bachelor secret is that if you can't locate a hubcap for a tree stand, a fruitcake works great. After you jam the tree in the fruit cake and take three hours to center it, gather your ornaments and decorate. Real men decorate trees with shiny aluminum cans; Coors Silver Bullets for silver, Coke cans for red, Pepsi cans for blue. Spent shotgun shells, both red and green from deer hunts make nice ornaments, Pine car deodorizers for some added fragrance, painted fishing sinkers for bulbs, a Frosty the Snowman homemade ornament from your niece with one split pea eye still remaining so it can see, spark plugs for icicles, strings of stale popcorn strung on the old 25 ft. phone cord from the dump, an old U-Haul packing blanket for a tree skirt, sliced VHS tape for tinsel, topped off by your own hand crafted tin foil star, and all backlit by the 1500 candle power work light (don't put the light too close to the tree). Brings a tear to your eye, doesn't it.... And to be ecumenical, used caulk tubes make a lovely working man's Menorah for your window.

Grandma's Tree: These are an odd half and half assortment of homemade ornaments from "artistic" grandchildren, strategically placed low on the tree so the accused can see their work when they visit, and elegant ornaments skillfully collected over a lifetime cover the upper part of the tree. There may be some old sentimental favorites, but most grandparents have reached that rebellious stage, I call it the Yahooooo! stage, where they think they've pleased enough people over the course of their lives to break loose and do whatever they want, including decorating the tree the way THEY like it...disgusting.

The Family Tree: This is what I always end up with. A hodgepodge of ornaments. Some are pretty so I put them up, some are sentimental — like creations from my creations — so they go up, some ornaments I don't really like anymore, but I've put them up every year for so long, I just keep doing it. I have a nice assortment of ornaments from partial themes that I started over the years. Some Star Trek space crafts from my Star Trek theme, some seashells coated with sparkles and painted crabs from my Little Mermaid year, a 'partridge in a pear tree' and a 'five golden rings' ornament from my 12 Days of Christmas theme and so on. I never got all the ornaments I needed to create one complete theme tree. Worse than that, the next year, I wanted something else. This year's attempted theme is Things Cats Can't Bat and Break. There were no ornaments on the bottom 18 inches of the tree until I remembered, as the cat climbed the tree to reach a dangling bulb, that they can climb trees. I've hung a small beanie bag cat in effigy from the lowest rung with a tiny sign around its neck that reads, "Meow, mew, meeeew, which in cat means, "Beware, the owner is a bulb buster" as a warning to potential offenders.

The Shelter Island Tree: Painted clamshells, painted wine corks, starfish (washed and dried), seashell lights, selected old Christmas decorations found at the Goodie Pile, seagull feather decorations, treetop star made from a wooden sheep, bright yellow Town Bag tree skirt, and gifts wrapped in town maps.

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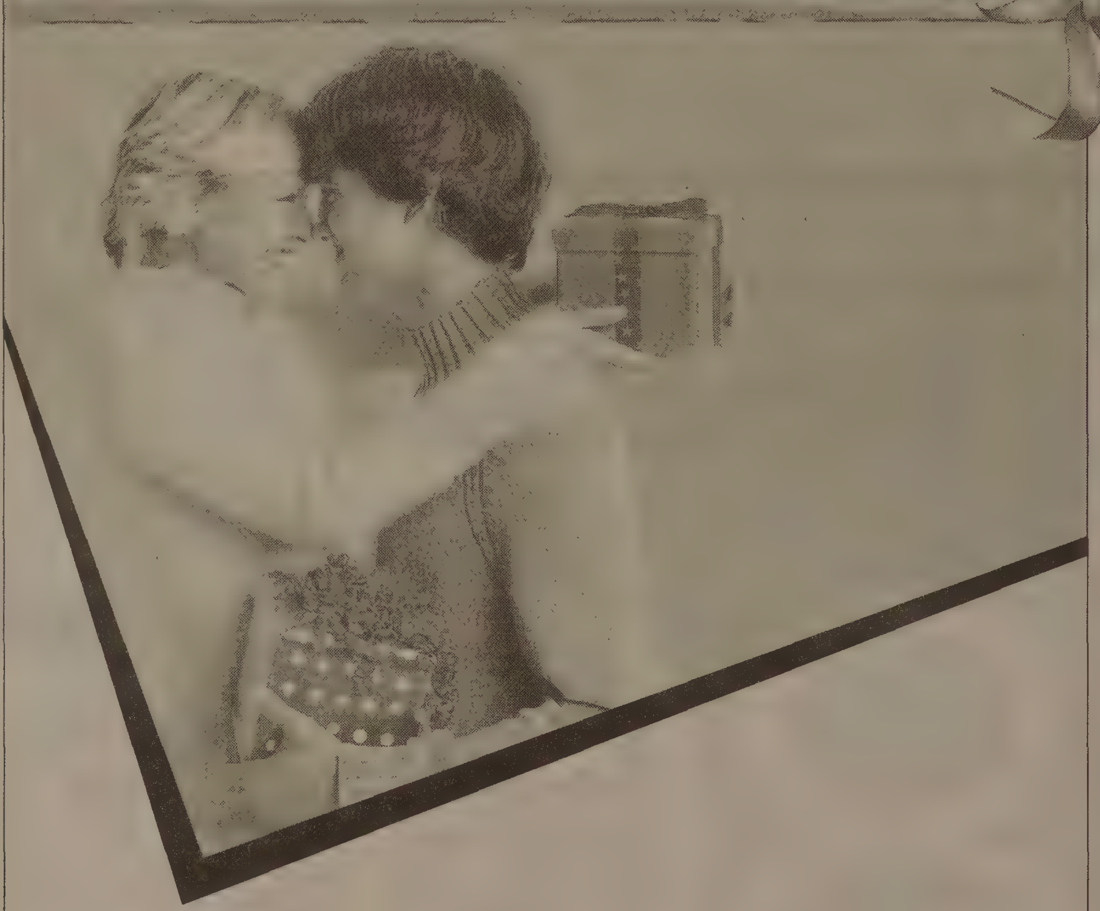

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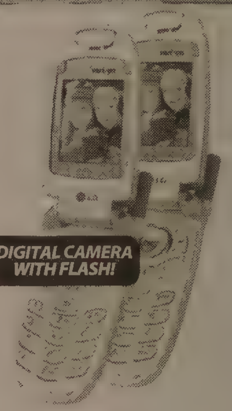

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South O' the Highway (and the North too)

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on a European Tour. Joel, meanwhile, has added another date to his tour. He will play Madison Square Garden on February 16th, for a total of six shows at that venue.

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Nick Monte, 89, and his wife **Lola** (Keepers of Gurney's Inn) celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary at the American Hotel in Sag Harbor with his brother **Angelo Monte Sr.**, who celebrated his 86th birthday the next day. Happy Birthday and God bless them all.

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This week's annual **Mickey Paraskevas** Christmas cover is his...... his...? Well, we can't remember how many there have been but there are quite a few. Mickey and his mother, **Betty**, are hard at work on new episodes of Plum TV's super cool puppet show, "The Cheap Show." Production has started on the 2006 season. You can still make an appointment for last minute Christmas shopping at the Paraskevas Gallery (big paintings make great gifts). For more information call 288-3812.

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Rabbi Marc Schneier of The Hampton Synagogue in Westhampton Beach was the guest of honor last week at the 30th Annual Ariel Gala Dinner at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Manhattan. Ariel is the foremost rabbinic seminary in Israel and has ordained some of the leading rabbis in the world. The Chief Rabbi of Haifa, **Rabbi Shear Yashuv Cohen**, President of Ariel, paid tribute to Rabbi Schneier's contribution to Jewish life.

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Fashion designer and Hamptonite **Anand Jon** hosted a benefit dinner for the **Stephanie Stiglich** Cancer Research Center at Central Park's Boathouse. Over 150 people attended. Legendary diva **Freda Payne** belted out her hit Band of Gold and jazz flutist **Bobbi Humphrey** performed. Jon has just been named one of India's 50 Most Beautiful People.

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Last week, Paramount Pictures purchased Dreamworks SKG, the studio formed 11 years ago by **David Geffen, Jeffrey Katzenberg** and **Steven Spielberg**, for $1.6 billion. The studio was nearly bought by NBC Universal, making the deal a coup for Paramount and its head, **Brad Grey**. Along with the deal comes the filmmaking skills of East Hampton's Spielberg, since the studio will now have distribution rights to his films.

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East Hampton's **Russell Simmons** and Westhampton Beach's **Rabbi Marc Schneier**, the Chairman and President, respectively, of The Foundation for Ethnic Understanding, presented the Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Awards last week during The New York Winter Benefit at the Crown Building in Manhattan. Among the recipients, who were honored for their efforts to strengthen ethnic ties in the community, were Hamptonites **Anna Anissimova** and **B. Smith**.

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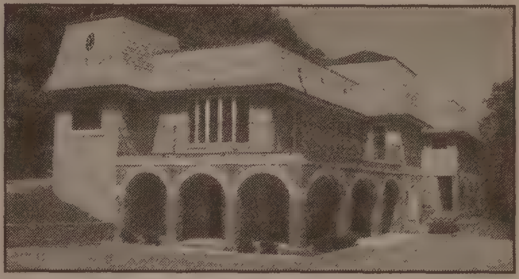

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Sat. Dec. 24 10:00 am Shabbat Service "The December Dilemma" Rabbi Gelfand
Fri. Dec. 30 5 pm Farewell to 2005 & The 6th Nite of the Chanukah Miracle
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rescuers going through the flooded areas in flatboats. None had collars. Each had been bathed, given a medical checkup and a rabies shot. We took twenty. Fifteen dogs and five cats. The deal was we would hold them for thirty days while we posted information about their whereabouts on the Humane Society Internet site. After 30 days, if they remained unclaimed, we would find them homes here in the Hamptons."

The trip back to East Hampton also took two days. They stopped frequently to walk the dogs, calling ahead on their cell phones to upcoming towns to animal rescue fund workers. At 6 a.m. on the second day they were met in Chattanooga, Tennessee by six volunteers. At 2 p.m. in Bristol, Tennessee they were met by 20 volunteers bearing treats and food for both the dogs and the rescuers.

"We were front page on the local paper the next day," Michele said.

They rescued rotweilers, akitas, black labs, mixed breeds, even a chow.

"The chow, we learned, was found by rescuers on the second floor of a home, guarding her newly born pups, who had all died. Near her was her mate, who had also died. And when the rescuers went further into the house, they found the owners of the dogs, also dead."

The chow has been given the name Katrina. She will be available for adoption at ARF if she remains unclaimed.

Returning to East Hampton, the animals were taken to the Animal Rescue Fund kennels and treated by the vet. Many had worms or other illnesses. A few were very sick. All recovered. And all began to thrive. Meanwhile, the identities of all the animals was posted on the Internet. ARF received many calls, but could not make a hookup. A marking on a dog, described by an owner, would not be on any of the dogs rescued. There was disappointment after disappointment.

And then, on the 32nd day after they came home, they made a hookup. Allison Wells, who lives in the French Quarter, which was not flooded, thought she could identify Sly, a black and white longhaired cat who had disappeared during the storm. She spoke to the people at ARF. Yes, it was Sly. And so ARF offered to fly Allison to East Hampton to confirm the find, and if correct, to retrieve the pet and take her home. And at the beginning of November, Allison came.

"How did you fund this flight?" I asked.

"When we went down to rescue the animals, we knew we would have to fund it if we could find anyone," Michele said. "We raised the money by selling wrist bracelets. And then we got private donations. We have enough to rescue most of the pets in this way if we can find the owners."

Allison Wells came up to LaGuardia by plane and then to East Hampton by Jitney, and she was picked up and taken immediately to ARF. After an emotional reunion, she and her pet were taken to the Southampton Inn, a pet friendly hotel in the area, where she spent the night. She and Sly flew south the next day.

"Since this was 32 days into the project," Michele said, "we knew we could not put them up for adoption anytime soon. Maybe at 60 days, maybe at 90 days. We'd have to play it by ear."

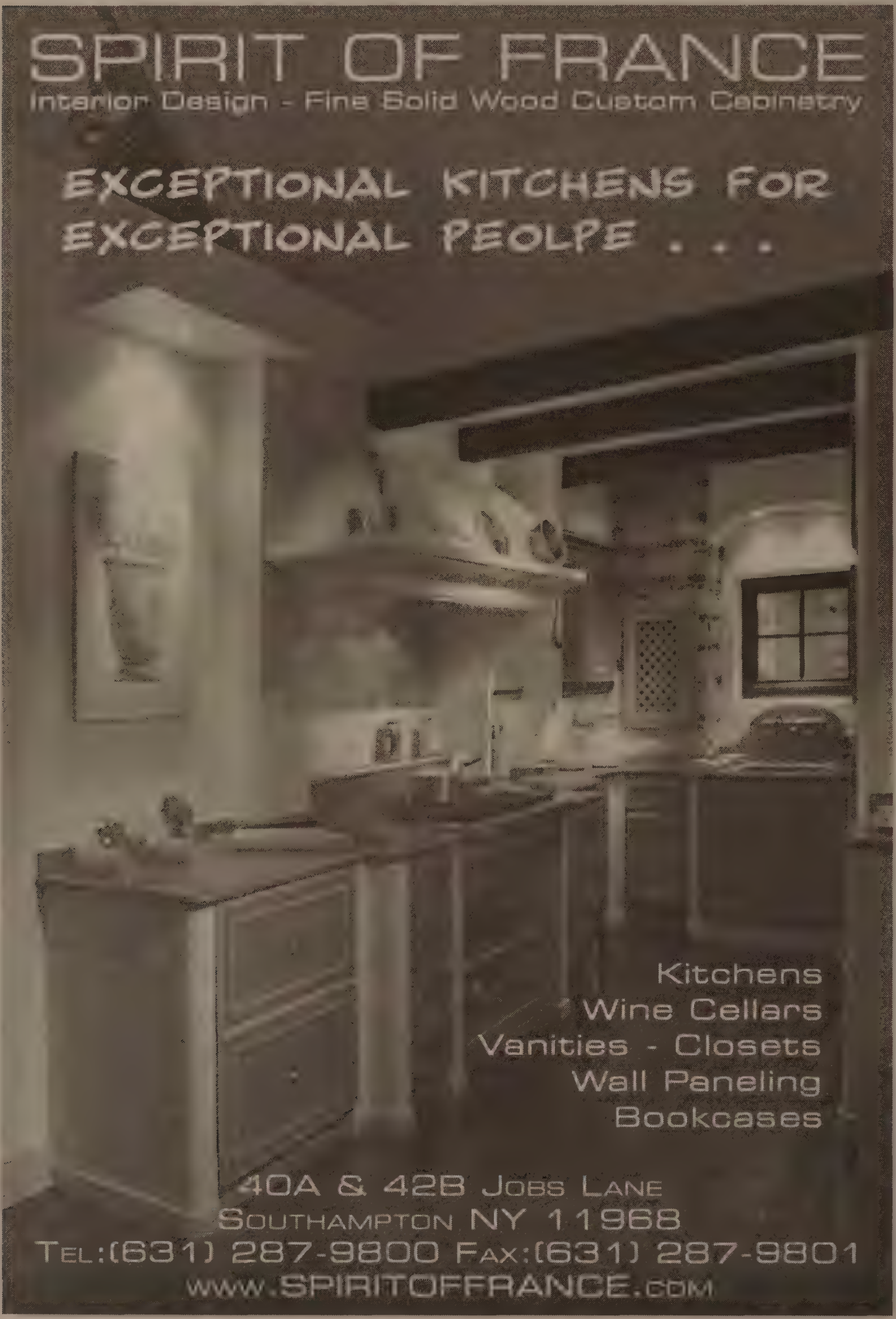
For the next forty days, however, there were no further identifications over the phone. Then, around December 10, Shannon Orly and the Hodges called ARF.

Shannon had been looking everywhere. Using the internet she found one of her dogs, a black lab, in California. And she found one of her cats in Maryland. Meanwhile, the Hodges were looking feverishly for their akitas and slowly giving up hope. They had seen that sign. TAKEN TO HUMANE SOCIETY. They tried every one they could. Until finally they called the Humane Society of Tylertown, Mississippi. And that led them to East Hampton.

"You should have been here for these reunions," Michele Forrester said.

The Hodges came up on Tuesday, stayed overnight at the Southampton Inn and left with Coco and Ruhu on Wednesday. And then Shannon Ory flew in on Thursday, spent the night at the Southampton Inn with T-Bear, and left on Friday.

"That leaves us with sixteen hurricane pets," Michele said. "Meanwhile, they are still rounding up lost pets down there. I'm confident we will be finding the owners of some more of these sixteen soon." •



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DAN'S PAPERS HOLIDAY PARTY

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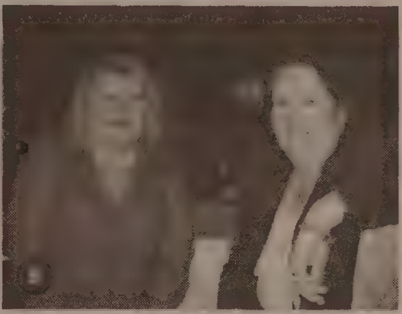
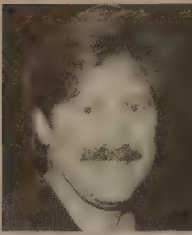


Dan Rattiner hosted his annual Holiday Celebration at The Inn at East Wind in Wading River which was attended by his staff and friends. There was an open bar, passed hot hors d'oeuvres, a Tuscan Table Buffet, Carving Tables, Pasta, hot chafing selections, coffee and dessert. The music that kept everyone dancing was by T J Picozzi. Thanks Dan for a wonderful party, a great time was had by all…

1. Tom Ratcliffe, Veronica Taylor 2. Dan Rattiner & Tom Neeley (Southampton Town Transportation Director) 3. David Stoll, Robin F. Smith, David Rattiner 4. Peter & Charlene Martin, Nancy & Dan Pollera 5. Lauren Maugeri, Nicole Caruso, Christina Poulos, Annemarie Davin 6. Kathy Rae, Catherine Ellams 7. Kimberly Goff, Leif Neubauer 8. Debbie Tuma, Anne Colllins 9. Toni Ann Esposito, Lisa DiLisi 10. Joan Gray 11. Tom Lynch, Jean Lynch, Phil Bettz, Steve Daniel 12. Sarah & Emily Halsey 13. Jean Lynch, Eileen Dermody 14. Maria Tennariello, Joan Zandell 15. Maritza Smith, Breck Archer 16. David Rattiner, Julia Nasser 17. Kirk Cassels, Michael McLean 18. Breck Archer, Nicole Caruso, Christian McLean 19. Gustavo A. Gomez, Joel Rodney, Linda Braverman, Mark Grady 20. Mark Grady, Jim Smith 21. John Linguti, Maria Tennariello



GORDIN'S VIEW

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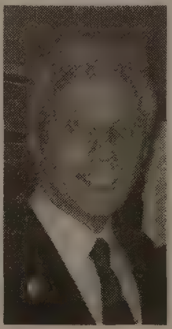
CHITA RIVERA "THE DANCER'S LIFE" OPENS

One of the Theatre's most beloved stage performers opened her show "Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life," at Broadway's Schoenfeld Theatre in New York. The Dancer's Life celebrates the 50 year, broadway career of Ms. Rivera as well as her life. This was a luminous evening in the theatre that will long be remembered. Chita made time for everyone who wanted to speak with her at a festive after - party at the Copacabana.

1. Philip Smith (President of The Shubert Organization), Bebe Neuwirth 2. Chita Rivera, Playwright Tricia Walsh Smith 3. Ben Vereen, Jamie deRoy 4. Judy Kaye ("Souvenier"), Charles Busch 5. Allyson Tucker (Ensemble), Brian Stokes Mitchell 6. "Jersey Boys" Christian Hoff , J. Robert Spencer, John Lloyd Young, Daniel Reichard 7. Tom Kirdahy, Terrence McNally (Playwright) 8. Stephen Flaherty (Songwriter, Original Scores), Trevor Hardwick 9. Barry Gordin, Renee Taylor (Plays Sylvia Fine in "The Nanny")

ETHNIC UNDERSTANDING HONORS B. SMITH

Rabbi Marc Schneier and Russell Simmons hosted the New York Benefit for the Foundation for Ethnic Understanding at the Crown Building Penthouse in NYC. B. Smith, Joey Low and Anna Anissimova were honored with the Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Award and Cushman & Wakefield was given The Joseph Papp corporate Diversity Award at the benefit . The beautiful and charming Ms Smith gave a moving tribute to being human. and modeled a shirt that said B. White, B. Black, B. Human. The Foundation, which began as a dream of Rabbi Marc Schneier and the late Joseph Papp, is now at the forefront of strengthening intergroup relations among the distinctive and vibrant communities that comprise our nation.



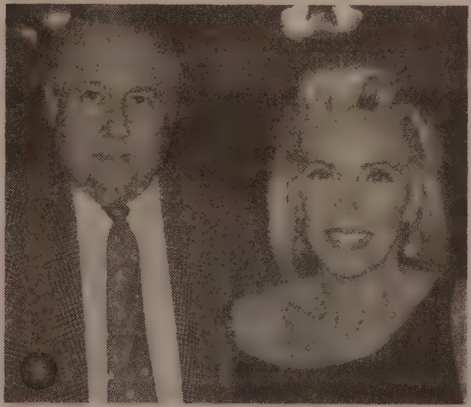
1. Dan Cummings (Colgate Palmolive), B. Smith (Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Award) 2. Tobi Rubinstein, Rabbi Marc Schneier (President The Foundation for Ethnic Understanding) 3. Russell Simmons (Chairman, The Foundation for Ethnic Understanding, Anait Kiladze (General Manager Helen Yarmak), Anna Anissimova (Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Award), Lawrence Kopp (Executive Director, The Foundation for Ethnic Understanding) 4. Clair Alpert (Sponsor), Joey Low (Joseph Papp Racial Harmony Award) 5. Dan Gasby 6. Mark Green

GORDIN'S VIEW

photos & text by barry gordin

STEWART AND BONNIE'S HOLIDAY PARTY

Stewart Lane & Bonnie Comley hosted their annual holiday party in their New York penthouse. An eclectic group from the theatre and publishing worlds attended the festive Holiday Celebration in their duplex.



1. Stewart Lane, Bonnie Comley with Daughter Leah 2. Lee & Cece Black 3. Julie Halston, Douglas Cohen, Randie Levine Miller, Jimmy Roberts 4. Melissa Lewis ("The Joys of Sex"), Christine Wasserstein, Katlean deMonchy 5. Philip J. Smith (President of the Shubert Organization), (Playwright) Tricia Walsh Smith 6. Mr &Mrs Jeff Slonim

DRAMA DESK HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

The Drama Desk celebrated the Holiday Season with their annual party for members and their guests at the Arte Cafe in NYC. Celebrity Art*Kives, artwork by actors nominated for Drama Desk Awards, graced the walls. The actors create the drawings at the Annual Drama Desk nominations party. Some of the luminaes, whose work was displayed included Lynn Redgrave, Harvey Fierstein, Charles Busch, Chita Rivera, Lily Tomlin, Bill Pullman, Tovah Feldshuh, Jim Dale, Frank Langella, Kevin Kline, John Lithgow and Antonio Banderas. Sarah Galvin conceived the Art*Kives for the Drama Desk. Happy Holidays to the Drama Desk and their friends.

1. Lillian & William Wolf (President of the Drama Desk) 2. Robert R. Blume (Executive Producer of The Drama Desk Awards), Sarah Galvin (Creator of Art*Kives), Andrew Goldman (VP HBO), Ashmi Elizabeth Dang (Associate Manager Affiliate Marketing, HBO) 3. Sam Norkin (Caricatures), Franci Norkin 4. Scott & Barbara Siegel 5. Leslie Hoban Blake (Vice President of The Drama Desk)

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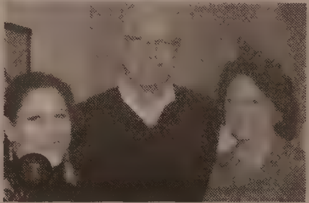
WAMU HOLIDAY EVENT

Photos & Text: Mary J Allmaras

Santa will need to make some extra room on his sleigh when he stops by Southampton's Washington Mutual Home Loan Center after their holiday party of "Sharing and Caring" to pick up lots of presents for Big Brothers, Big Sisters. Peter Perticone, Regional Mgr. and Lou Pasco, Southampton Mgr. hosted the huge holiday event. Special thanks to James on Main, Mr. Collins and Martha Clara Vineyards, AmericSpec and Brad Beyer.



1. Bill Tymann, CEO Big Brothers, Big Sisters

2. Jennifer Russo, Caroline Dwyer, Greg Dweyer, Danielle Ferris 3. Melinda Rubin, Paul T. Smith, Doreen D'Andrea 4. Cindy Redmond, John Yakobowsky, Jr., Kathleen Johnson 5. Ellen Cea, Peter Perticone, Lou Pasco 6. Melody Tierney, Lisa Tamburini, Michele Tennariello 7. Ginny Provermo, Marty Gilmartin, Pam Gilmartin

North Fork Events

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

INTUITIVE CONSULTANT TO THE STARS – Every Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Donna McCue will provide 15-minute sessions and sign her book for $30 per person at Vineyard 48 in Cutchogue. Call 734-5200.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

HOLIDAY MARKETPLACE– Annual Holiday Marketplace and Small Works show at the East End Arts Council in Riverhead. Shop through December 23. Call 631-727-0900.

DOLORES CASTRUCCI– Running until December 31st, enjoy the artists work at the Southold Town Hall Annex. Call 765-6656.

FLOWER ALLEY– Local artists Sandi Woessner, Dublin Durller, Mark Kopko, Hazel Kahan, Chris Stavropolis and more! Fine jewelry, hand woven scarves, ornaments, greeting cards and handcrafted items. Gallery show will run through January 8. Call 631-208-8166 for more information.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

CUSTER INSTITUTE– Every Saturday night, weather permitting, the Custer Institute and Observatory is open for visitors to observe the night sky with their high range telescopes. Runs from 6 p.m. until midnight. Institute is located in Southold. Suggested donation of $2. Call 631-696-3333.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS– Running all day and on into the evening, located everywhere. Enjoy presents, music and family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/27– PUPPET SHOW– Southold Mothers' Club co sponsors Katie Polk's Puppe Show at Floyd Memorial Library in Greenport at 1 p.m.

12/29– NATIONAL CIRCUS PROJECT– Starting at 11 a.m. at the Floyd Memorial Library in Greenport enjoy the National Circus Project at Southold High School auditorium for free. Call 631-477-0660.

12/29– POOL TRIP– From 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. enjoy a group swim field trip to East Hampton YMCA for youths 11-17. Learn scuba diving, snorkeling, swim safety and general swim. Make sure to bring a lunch. Bus leaves from the Peconic Lane Rec Center. Total trip costs $20. Call 631-477-1228 for more information.

12/31– NEW LIGHT FESTIVAL– In Greenport enjoy the festival starting at 5:30 p.m. and running until midnight.

1/1–NEW YEARS BREAKFAST– From 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Southold Fire Department enjoy their 14th annual New Year's Day Breakfast at Main Road firehouse. Tickets at the door. Adults are $8 Children are $4.

1/1– THE DYBUK– A free film about two young men who have grown up together betroth their unborn children, ignoring advice of a mysterious traveler not to pledge the lives of future generations. Playing at the Tifereth Israel of Greenport at 2 p.m. Call 631-734-6952.

1/5, 1/6, 1/7– ARTISTS WANTED– Artist drop off your work at the East End Arts Council Gallery in Riverhead between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. for you work to be submitted into the non-juried members' show. Call 631-727-0900 for more information.

1/9– WINTER BREAKFAST– The Eastern Long Island Executives Business Roundtable will be having breakfast at the Inn at East Wind in Wading River with economist Irwin Kellner, PhD speaking on "Dollars and Sense" an economic outlook and market update. From stocks to social security, real estate taxes and politiçs, housing and government. For reservations call 1-877-225-0010.

ONGOING EVENTS

SKATEBOARDING– Great skate park in Greenport offering ramps and a half pipe. Call 631-477-2385 for hours.

INDIAN MUSEUM– In Southold, open Sundays from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 631-765-5577.

CAROUSEL– The Greenport Village carousel in Mitchell Park is open Fridays, 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. and Sundays 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

ROBERT R. MEHLING– Enjoy the artists work at the Mattituck-Laurel Library for the month of December. Call 631-298-4134 for more information.

HOWARD LEVINE– The unique artists work will be on display at Riverhead Town hall until March 2. Show consists of sculpture, reliefs and photos. Call 631-722-8084 for more information.

ART SHOW– At Love Lane Foto in Mattituck, presenting photography and painting by local artists. Show runs through January 7th. Call 631-298-0070 for more info.

CUSTER OBSERVATORY– Weather permitting Custer staff will be on hand to assist visitors in observing the night sky using their telescopes. From sunset until midnight in Southold. Call 631-765-2626.

CAST CALL FOR HARPES WILD WEST – Actors are sought to play cowboys and cowgirls for the Wild West eight-acre corn maze in Jamesport. Auditions available Saturdays and Sundays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call 477-1228.

FLOWER ALLEY– At the Blue Door Gallery in Riverhead, enjoy the work of local artists Sandi Woessner, Dublin Durller, Mark Kopko, Hazel Kahan, Chris Stavropolis and more. Runs through January 8. Call 631-208-8166.

DOLORES CASTRUCCI– Enjoy her work of barns, bays, beaches and flora. Original oil paintings at Bohn Galleria and at Southold Town Hall Annex in Southold. Call 631-765-6656 for more information.

MEDITATION– Buddhist meditations on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the First presbyterian Church on Main Street in Southold. Call 631-949-13-77.

MICHAEL KILLELEA– The painter's work is on display at the Castello di Borghese Vineyard and Winery at the main gallery in Cutchogue. On Display through December. Open to the public. Call 734-5111.

MAX MORAN– The well renowned artists work will be on display at Martha Clara Vineyards in Riverhead from noon to 5 p.m. in Riverhead. Call 631-298-0075.

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ROBBI GOLDBERG – Robbi Goldberg will exhibit his East End farmstand paintings this fall at the Castello di Borghese Vineyard this fall. Call 734-5111.

WOODTURNING– View Harry wick's work at the Riverhead Library between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Call 734-5738.

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You Can Buy Some Wine, But You Can't BuyArt

State Liquor Authority Says Vineyards Cannot Sell Art

By David Lion Rattiner

The North Fork has a lot of fun things to it, but the most famous thing about it are the wineries. They are simply stunning, they bring in tourist dollars, they employ workers and they deliver some very tasty wines. Another North Fork tradition is local art. If you walk into any coffee store or local gift shop you can be sure to find a stunningly beautiful piece of art master crafted by a North Fork artist. North Fork art is so big that this newspaper interviews a different North Fork artist every single week. You also could purchase this same art in a winery, well that is until two weeks ago.

In what seems to be almost mind boggling, the New York State Liquor authority is cracking down on the sale of art in wineries, saying that it is against the law. According to the current law, a winery can only sell souvenirs of the winery or of New York State, such a sticker that says, "I love New York" on it.

The law that states what you can sell in a winery is very specific and does not include art and that is why it is illegal. Obviously, nobody is getting hurt by selling art in a winery; if anything it is only helping. Art and wine go hand in hand and have since the invention of wine itself. Art and wine events occur all over the country where musicians play and sell their CDs to vineyard goers. It is a wonderful experience.

The new commissioner of the New York State Liquor Authority, Joshua Toas, is making the sale of art in a winery a big issue for the authority. He got this job only last month and wants to make sure that he does it right. The law is the law. However, it would appear obvious that selling art in a winery does only good for the community and the entire state of New York. It does good for the North Fork especially. Most people on the North Fork are hoping that he will work to have the law changed for the better.

Steve Bates of the Long Island Wine Council is hopeful that the law will be changed as well, "It's an issue with the state. Art and culture go very well with people. People enjoy art and wine all over the world. If you do a Google search, you'll see thousands of art and wine events. We are hopeful that we can resolve the issue, especially with the upcoming festival."

The festival that Mr. Bates is talking about is the Long Island Wine Country Winter Festival that runs through the month of February. It would be terrible if during this festival (which not only puts food on the tables of artists but brings in much needed tourism during the tough winter business month to the towns on the North Fork) artists were not allowed to sell their work.

Being an artist is not an easy life financially. It is very difficult to sell art, but it is also incredibly important that art and artists remain on the North Fork. Artists draw charm to the area, which bring in tourists and keeps the North Fork a thriving community. To take away an outlet for artists to sell their work is absurd, especially at a vineyard where people almost expect to see art for sale.

Even art gallery owners are surprised that the State Liquor Authority is preventing artists from selling art in wineries. Would an art gallery benefit from not allowing the sale of art in a winery? Most likely not at all. It is a totally different type of purchasing experience.

Until the matter gets straightened out you can no longer purchase art in a vineyard. You can only purchase a New York State souvenir or a souvenir of the winery. Don't be surprised if you see paintings for sale on North Fork wineries in an Andy Warhol type of style that reads, "I love New York."

Holiday Tea Dance

Peconic Landing Does The Fox Trot

By R.B. Stuart

Last Saturday, Peconic Landing, a retirement community in Greenport, had their first ever Tea Dance with over 100 residents, family and friends enjoying the entertainment by jazz legend Donna Byrne. Singing some songs from her latest album, "All the Lonely People," as well as requests from the *Great American Songbook* plus several holiday selections. At the age of two Byrne was encouraged by her father to sing and perform. She first emerged as a professional singer on Cape Cod 25 years ago, where her talents caught the eye and encouragement of famed pianist Dave McKenna. After a hiatus to raise her three children, she came back onto the scene with four critically-acclaimed CDs. Byrne's powerful voice, energetic personality, and life experiences has brought admiration from Tony Bennett amongst others. Her unforgettable performances have entertained audiences at The Jazz Bakery in Los Angeles, Tavern on the Green, Blue Note, Rainbow and Stars in New York, The Willard Hotel and Blues Alley in Washington D.C. as well as several tours in Hawaii with the Benny Goodman Tribute Orchestra.

The Peconic Landing ballroom is a beautiful place to have a party. The ballroom has chandeliers wafting from the ceiling and was set with round tables, tea, sherry and assorted finger sandwiches. A newly created dance floor is located at the foot of the half moon stage. Red sweaters peppered the audience. Byrne was accompanied by pianist Tim Ray, on drums Les Harris Jr., Arnie Krawkowsky played the saxophone and on bass was her husband Marshall Wood, who opened the first set with a crisp sounding 1951 George and Ira Gershwin classic, S Wonderful, a song Gene Kelly brought to life in the movie *An American in Paris,* where he swooned over the beautiful Leslie Caron.

The Sinatra hit, When Somebody Loves You, warmed everyone up as another song came on, Our Love is Here to Stay, by Gershwin gathered most dancers to the floor.

Photos by R.B. Stuart

Residents of Peconic Landng

The party was reminiscent of an USO soldiers dance. It was very old fashioned and very wonderful to see. The women's arms were clutched around the nap of the neck or shoulder of their handsome men. I was very impressed with the dancing ability of everyone. Nobody skipped a beat when it came to remembering the Fox Trot.

Peconic Landing Director of Cultural Arts, Dorothy Kellogg, hopes to continue with monthly tea dances, inviting the public to join in with the residents in these musical celebrations. "Tea dances were something done in the late 1920s and 1930s at big hotels and dance halls for "society" people. They were extremely popular in England, France and then in the States. Peconic Landing residents remember going to the Central Park Casino in Manhattan to hear band leaders such as Eddie Duchan. The Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago featured Paul Whiteman's Orchestra. People danced what we now call Ballroom Dances and Swing came later. Dances such as the Fox Trot, the Rumba, Samba and Tango were particularly popular as was the Peabody and the Waltz. The dances were usually accompanied by a big band and people drank tea (especially during prohibition) and had tea sandwiches or very fancy pastries and cakes. They wore their finest dress and always looked their very best. During the war, these dances were looked upon as a way the young ladies could meet our boys in uniform. A tea dance was a popular way to socialize on the weekends for long hours," Kellogg informed me.

The beautifully decorated grand entrance of Peconic Landing, with its cathedral ceilings and oak fireplace with six foot high mantle reaching all the way to the ceiling was flanked by big comfy chairs and a crackling fire. There are two wings to this exclusive and very active retirement community that overlooks the sound. Peconic Landing is a unique Life Care Community on 144 acres with one half a mile of waterfront property. The community offers independent living in a choice of cottage or apartment homes. The housing and community center is augmented by an on-campus Wellness Center where members can take advantage of rehabilitation services, short term and long term nursing care and assistance with personal care services.

The entertainment was made possible by a grant from ASCAP. The generous residents opened up this lovely event free of charge. For more information about future tea dances or about Peconic Landing, contact Dorothy Kellogg, at 477-3800.

Dan's North Fork

North Fork Artist of The Week

Painter, Gina Gilmour

By R.B. Stuart

Photo By R.B. Stuart

At 14 years old Gina Gilmour made a sculpture of a mother holding a baby. "I was very serious and had my own studio. I learned the pleasure that painting or sculpting can give you. In quiet, it becomes addictive," Gilmour explained. At 15 she was an exchange student in Japan. "It was the 20th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and the opening of the Peace Museum. To be on your own in a new culture at that age and feeling the reality of the bombing was an overwhelming experience," she said.

Gilmour was born in North Carolina 57 years ago, the youngest of five. As a child she always made things. "I am a self taught sculptor, I used to make animals out of clay. I was more into clay than painting, but I did do drawings and paintings," she remembered.

"I ended up going to Sarah Lawrence College for literature and philosophy, then after college I moved to Mexico for a couple of years. While there I began working on a very large piece of sculpture. The project was riddled with difficulties. So I decided to take a break and begin painting. With such beautiful light there you could be outside all year long."

"What I love about painting the most is that it calms me down. It's the way I navigate my life. It's a way of life and provides me with a quality of quietude that allows me to process experiences," she reflected.

Although it does have its challenges, "like paying the bills," she laughed. "And dealing with the business of life when you just want to be out there painting. The challenge with painting is to find an honesty and newness that expresses what's inside of you. It's also to find that metaphor that fits in the relationship to the world," she admits.

"Being alive inspires me. Being dead does not," she said with a burst of laughter. "All of life inspires me. I'm just watching all the time. Sometimes an idea kicks in. I've been inspired by literature and paintings. When you see someone else's efforts it really makes you want to do something as well. Everything that moves you inspires you. As a Southerner, my work has a very narrative quality,"

In 1981 Gilmour was a painter in residence in France at the Karolyi Foundation. "That led to my waterfall series. The series of nine paintings was developed there. In upstate New York I painted a series of 12 paintings, 'Twelve Months of Winter,' both works depicted a visual narrative from beginning to end," she said.

"The process of painting is its own reward, that's primal. You hope that your paintings move others and speak to their hearts," Gilmour conveyed.

In 1999 she was elected into Orient's, William Steeple Davis Oyster Pond Historical Society's one-year 'artist in residency' program. "I really loved being by the water and close to New York so in 2001 I moved to Mattituck," she said.

In hindsight if there was one thing she could change, "I wouldn't have moved around so much, I would have rooted myself earlier," she said.

She is passionate about the starving people in Africa, injustices, her friends, family, travel, and the beauty and fragility of life. "And this terrible regime in this government, and what path this country is taking. Particularly since my time in Japan, I'm passionately involved and opposed to the nuclear industry," she stressed.

In ten years, "I hope to be painting every day, wherever I am, I'm painting," Gilmour concluded.

Gina Gilmour's work is on display at the East End Arts Council in Riverhead. By appointment her work can also be seen at her studio in Mattituck or New York City. She can be contacted at 631-298-9138. She's currently working on another series of paintings and the beginnings of a screenplay.

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OVER THE BARREL...

with Lenn Thompson

Photo by Lenn Thompson

Checking In On the 2005 "Winery of the Year"

Last summer, **Osprey's Dominion Vineyards** was named New York's "Winery of the Year" at the 2005 New York Food and Wine Classic by winning seven medals, including two double golds, one gold, two silvers and two bronzes.

Winemaker Adam Suprenant, a graduate of the much ballyhooed U.C. Davis enology program, was and is proud of the accomplishment, but he's certainly not resting on his laurels. Wines from the 2001 vintage (and a 2004 roséé) earned the winery all those medals, but the winery's first three 2002 releases, a Cabernet Franc, a Reserve Merlot and a 2002 edition of the "Flight" Meritage blend show great promise and are sure to do well in competitions in 2006. The Cab Franc and Flight build upon the previous vintage and the Reserve Merlot represents a new beginning – a Merlot Suprenant will only make when he and fellow-U.C. Davis graduate and Osprey's Dominion vineyard manager Tom Stevenson think the fruit is good enough. 2002 was such a year for the vineyard.

The **Osprey's Dominion 2002 Cabernet Franc ($22)**, which was aged for 12 months in small oak barrels, seems fuller bodied and more lush than the double gold medal winning 2001 edition, but the flavor profile is similar. It features an aromatic berry-forward nose with ripe raspberries, baked cherries and hot cocoa aromas. Soft and round on the palate, this low-tannin red has a little less structure than the '01, but is no less delicious, with flavors matching the aromas and just enough oak character. Super-subtle hints of Italian basil add a layer of complexity that makes this wine hard to dislike.

A deep, brooding crimson in the glass, Suprenant's **2002 Reserve Merlot ($35)** has a young, faint nose at first, but with time, it unfurls with aromas of blackberry, raspberry and fall leaf earthiness. This Merlot shows exceptional balance between restrained, elegant fruit, firm but not overpowering tannins, oak and acidity – all with a sprinkling of tobacco and earthiness. Still quite young for a wine of such structure, it should improve dramatically in coming years, even if it's impressive right now. Buy a few bottles, drink one now, drink another a year from now and save the last one for 2010. Your patience will be rewarded.

At a time when many winemakers are formalizing the push for Merlot as Long Island's signature grape, blended wines like the **Osprey's Dominion 2002 Flight Meritage ($35)** make the argument that blended wines are the region's future. This Bordeaux-style blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot was aged for two years in both French and American Oak, and is even more deeply colored than the Merlot. Again, this relatively young wine's aromas need a little coaxing, but some swirling lifts blackberry, sweet vanilla and toasted oak scents up out of the glass. Words like elegant, refined and sophisticated come to mind upon the first sip, which alerts your palate to the wine's precise balance and finesse. Full bodied but refined, it fills your mouth with blackberry, blueberry and slightly earthy flavors. The tannins are still a bit young, but they are already well integrated and give way to a finish you won't soon forget. Again, this wine will evolve and likely improve, but it's hard to resist right now.

This holiday season, Osprey's Dominion Winery is offering two three-bottle gift packs that are worth picking up for that wine lover on your shopping list. The first is a Cabernet Franc vertical pack ($75), which includes a bottle each of the 2000, 2001 and 2002 Cabernet Franc. The second is a similar vertical flight of their Flight Meritage ($99). It's somewhat rare to have the opportunity to buy three vintages of the same wine at the same time in our young region. Tasting through flights like these can be as educational as they are enjoyable. They offer the opportunity to taste firsthand the differences between consecutive vintages.

For more information or to order, visit www.ospreysdominion.com or call 765-6188.

I'd like to wish happy holidays to all my readers, and I look forward to reporting on our local wine scene again in 2006. Just remember: drink local!

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When In Manhattan...BY OLIVER PETERSON

An American Girl in New York

With my recent nuptials, I'm now not only an uncle to my brother's son, but also to three newly appointed nieces. During a recent bout of Christmas shopping in the city, my wife and I came upon what would best be described as the holy Mecca for these little girls. I'd heard them express, for great lengths of time, their various needs and wants while guiding me through the American Girl catalogue. I'm now quite familiar with the brand of which I had no real previous knowledge, but it wasn't until entering the American Girl Place that I truly understood the majesty of the world in which my nieces live.

Photo by Oliver Peterson

To give you a brief explanation, if you're as ignorant of all of this as I was The American Girl Company began in 1986 with their catalogue featuring high-quality, 18-inch dolls for little girls and tweens. Their American Girl Collection featured books, dolls and accessories based on nine-year-old fictional heroines from our country's past. They were a hit and a maelstrom of marketing and product has followed, culminating into a magazine and American Girl Today, a contemporary line of dolls with which my nieces are fascinated. For something I'd never heard about, the scope is huge. *American Girl Magazine* has over 650,000 subscribers, the series of books continues to grow, and proprietary stores like American Girl Place in New York exist in Los Angeles and Chicago. That's a lot of slightly creepy dolls, but really the toy is family-friendly and provides a positive message for young girls in an increasingly questionable moral landscape. History, family, and innocent childhood fun are good things, even if they are based around a very expensive consumer product now owned by a large corporation (Mattel). In this case, I can't say I oppose the "family values" sentiment. Kids don't need the jaded sarcasm and frustration with the system, on which some of us, ahem, thrive.

So, the toys are cool in a girly, for-kids kind of way, but what was really striking was the giant store on Fifth Avenue. Initially, it appears as any other big proprietary retail store covered in branding, but upon closer inspection, as you wade through hyped-up kids and frantic parents, you'll find some pretty cool and fun things for young doll fans to do. Beyond the *Children of the Damned*-esque case of the American Girl Today doll options, past the section for Coconut the dog and his pal, Licorice the cat, and past all the outfits and glasses and matching clothes for real girls, you'll find the Doll Hair Salon. Here specially trained dolly stylists will fashion your American Girl's hair in whatever style you choose. Mohawk anyone? The salon is first-come-first-served and, of course, costs between $10-$20. I pay about the same to have my hair cut, but then again, it costs me at least $60 for my dog, so who's counting, right? Also available for your child is the photo studio where she and her doll can get photographed together and placed on a keepsake *American Girl Magazine* cover. Prints start at $24.95. No appointments. Continuing upstairs is the Doll Hospital where American Girls go to get fixed. They sell one doll in a wheelchair, but I didn't ask if she receives physical therapy here.

One of the cooler things in the store is called Peek Into the Past. This is a sort of museum display representing the different times in history when the girls lived. Viewers look into their homes, at their clothes and way of life. It's actually well done and could inspire conversation about where our country was and where it's going. Maybe leave out the part about the going, unless you enjoy discussing the toilet. I kid, I kid.

Last, check out the cafe by appointment. Take your kids and their doll counterparts for brunch in the pink, white and black room for pancakes, French toast, fruit kebobs and eggs Benedict. There are even little seats for the dolls. Call 1-877-AG-PLACE for reservations and prices. Renovations to the Café will begin in January and it will reopen in April.

I joke about it, but this store is a real treat for any little girl who loves dolls. American Girl Place is located at 609 Fifth Avenue at 49th Street.

TAKE A HIKE WITH KEN KINDLER

Hedges Banks

The hike from the Schoolhouse Plaque and Van Scoy Cemetery to the scenic overlooks of Hedges Banks in Cedar Point County Park is an excellent winter hike. Beginners will enjoy it because it is very well marked. The recently renewed white rectangular blazes of the Paumanok Path and the yellow blazes of the Northwest Path are easy to follow. The Schoolhouse Plaque may not be that obvious; however the wide dirt shoulder parking area is easy to find. This hike has many visually exciting features, including glacial erratics, kettleholes, ponds, wetlands, and a stunningly beautiful view out over Gardiners Bay.

Last Saturday I arrived early for the "Grace Estate to Cedar Point Hike" (4-5 miles). The hike was led by Steve and Laurie Tamber, President and Secretary of the East Hampton Trails Preservation Society (EHTPS). Steve led the hike and Laurie acted as the "sweep." While waiting for the other hikers to arrive, I walked a short distance up from the road to visit the old Van Scoy Cemetery, with its weather worn gravestones. I returned in time to follow the group as they crossed Northwest Road. Be careful when crossing; though this is a popular point from which to hike, there are no signs warning drivers to slow down for hikers who are following the Paumanok Path across this curved road.

Photo by Ken Kindler

Rick Whalen designed the Northwest Path in the late 1980s. It runs approximately 6 miles from Route 114 and Edwards Hole Road (near Sag Harbor), to Cedar Point Park. On this day we were following the section of trail that would take us to Cedar Point County Park. At the start of the hike, in the northern section of the Grace Estate, we followed both the white rectangle blazes of the Paumanok Path and the yellow triangle blazes of the Northwest Path. Our walk began on Scoy's Pond Road, an unimproved woods road that gives hunters with vehicles access to Scoy Pond and the surrounding woods. A short trail to the right allows for a closer look at the pond. After passing the Scoy Pond turnoff, the next right turn leads onto the portion of the Northwest Path that diverges from the Paumanok Path, north to Cedar Point. Now we followed only yellow blazes. We walked around the north end of Scoy's Pond and crossed a small wooden bridge over Scoy Run. Scoy Run is a brook that runs from Scoy's Pond into Alewive Brook Pond. We soon found ourselves walking on the Colonial Old Alewive Brook Road. At the place where this road connects with the newer, paved Alewive Brook Road is where EHTPS recently redirected the trail across the road (through a new gate that the County Parks Department constructed in the fence) and around the southern end of Alewive Pond. We soon crossed over Cedar Point Road and passed the Park Office to our right. Here we continued to follow the yellow blazes onto a nature trail marked with numbered interpretive signs. Unfortunately, there are no interpretive guidebooks, and the interpretive text does not appear on the County Parks website. However, this information can be found in Mike Bottini's trail guidebook*. Here the relatively new nature trail runs straight up a steep hill and is eroding rapidly. This offered a stark contrast to the still stable 300-year-old colonial road on which we had walked earlier in the hike.

About a mile north of the Park Office, the nature trail intersects another trail. Here you take a right turn and walk a short distance out to the Hedges Banks overlook. Bring your binoculars with you; this overlook offers a spectacular view. On the horizon you will see the hills of Connecticut, and from left to right, look for Shelter Island, Orient Point, Plum Island, and Gardiners Island.

From here we could have headed west on the Hedges Banks Trail to Cedar Pond and the Lighthouse. If you decide to do this, be aware that the sandy spit to the lighthouse is a favorite spot for waterfowl hunting during the fall and early winter.

* For added enjoyment of this trail I suggest you purchase Mike Bottini's trail guidebook and the map by Charles Whalen (contact Richard Lupoletti, 324-1127).

Directions: Traveling east on Montauk Highway, just past Wainscott, turn left (north) onto Stephen Hands Path. Follow the Cedar Point Park signs. Bear left onto Old Northwest Road, then turn right onto Northwest Road. Park on the dirt parking area located on the right side of the road about 0.3-miles from the intersection with Alewive Brook Road.

Ken Kindler is a Trails and Open Space Advocate working to help the trails groups and land managers care for our "Natural Island." If you would like to learn more about our trails or help care for them, visit the Hiking Long Island website. www.hike-li.org.

JUST FOR KIDS

The Giving Spirit

With the hanging of the Christmas lights and the placing of Frosty on your front lawn comes the spirit of giving that encompasses your family like a blanket of fresh fallen snow. The stores are packed to the rafters with shoppers buying toys, clothing and an array of gifts too vast to mention. Your child sees catalogues arriving daily in the mail and endless commercials for toys. The chatter at school is about XBox 360 and the latest bike or game....yet you want them to know the true spirit of the holidays. The reality is that giving often stops after Santa deposits the package under the tree. Here are some ideas to teach your child how to give and continue giving all year long.

Children love learning. We all have an innate desire to learn, grow and nurture. While you may assume that your child is so overwrought with "me, me-itis" and not eager to help others, you are probably wrong. Sit your child down and explain to them how lucky they are to have family, friends and gifts this year. Show them via Internet, or a trip to the library, that some children are not as lucky. Ask them what they can do to help. Your child might offer to give up a toy or give part of their allowance or they might just offer to draw a picture. No matter what they decide it is wonderful and from their heart.

When I approached members of the Hampton Community with ways that children in the area can help other children, as well as animals and adults in unfortunate circumstances, I was excitedly received and bestowed with some wonderful ideas. Help is needed in the area all year long.

If your child loves animals, they can help out the animal shelters in the area. According to Kathleen Galina of the Southampton Animal Shelter, located on 102 Riverhead Road in Hampton Bays (in Red Creek Park), there is a "dire need for raw hide and dog bones, toys and blankets." She stated that "we get very close to the animals" and that these items keep the animals calm and happy. Children can also donate a part of their allowance to a shelter, as monetary donations are always welcome and so very much appreciated. Your child can help make someone's future pet a happy one.

Being in a hospital is just not fun for anyone. But your child can make the experience a more pleasant one for another child by offering comfort. According to Nora Perry, President of the Southampton Hospital Foundation, brand new toys can be donated. In addition, the hospital is creating a new maternity unit. Your child's pennies from their piggy bank can go towards helping mothers bring babies into the world. According to Nora, when her daughter was "five or six, I had her put a third of her allowance away for charity." It was a life lesson that her grown daughter has never forgotten.

If you have an elderly person in the neighborhood, your child can help them out by shoveling snow, doing small errands, and going grocery shopping with you and picking out items for your elderly neighbor. If you'd like your child to adopt a grandparent, they can do so by sending letters to a local nursing home resident. The Westhampton Care Center's residents love receiving mail from children. Letters can be sent to: Westhampton Care Center, 78 Old Country Road, Westhampton, NY 11977 attention: Recreation. According to Assistant Director of Recreation, Kristina Dureau, they can always use volunteers for parties and events. Volunteers need to be 14 years of age or older. Kristina explained how the students who do help gain so much from the experience. It works both ways for both the residents and the volunteers.

Schools in our area have been actively working on toy drives, food drives and continued efforts to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina. The Westhampton Elementary School Student Council collected upwards of 100 toys to donate to families in need. Kerri Beaver and Tara Hudson coordinated the effort and said that the children were "proud to help." Their plan, like many schools, is to perpetuate that pride and teach the children to give all year long. "It gives them a good feeling."

Your child can also contact the local library and offer to be a peer tutor or to read stories to local children at a story hour. Essentially find out what your child's interests are and channel them into helping out with something that they care about.

So when the holiday decorations are put away and the cold weather envelops us in a deep freeze, feel yourself fill up with pride at the warmth that your child will bestow upon others. If you plant the seed, watch how fast the gift of giving will grow. It's probably the best lesson that a child can ever receive.

–Jessica Gold

KID KALENDAR

Dan's COMING UP

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HOLIDAY MINI CAMPS – 12/26 – Art Explosion Camp, for kids ages 7-11, 10-12 p.m. Acting Camp for ages 7-11, 12:30-2:30 p.m. Science Camp. for kids ages 6-9, 10 a.m. -12 p.m The Children's Museum of The East End is located 6 Bridgehampton/Sag Harbor Turnpike. Call 537-8250.

ART WORKSHOPS AT THE GOLDEN EAGLE – 12/27 – Clay Man workshop with Karyn Mannix. Wednesday, 10-11 a.m. "Collage & Me" Located at 14 Gingerbread Lane in East Hampton. 324-0603.

STORY AND CRAFT TIME –12/23 – Every Friday for children of all ages at the John Jermain Memorial Library at 3:30 p.m. Main Street, Sag Harbor. 725-0049.

HOLIDAY VACATION ART WORKSHOPS – 12/27-29 – For children ages 4-5, 10 a.m.-noon, children ages 6-10, 1-4 p.m. At the Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. Call 283-2118.

HOLIDAY VACATION PERFORMANCES – 12/30 – "Snappy Happy Holidays" from the Uncle Brothers'" multicultural holiday show. 2 p.m. at the Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane, call 283-2118.

ONGOING

JOY OF FAMILY MUSIC – Parent and child music together program. Children newborn through five years every week with "Music Together by the Dunes." Wed,Thurs/Fri mornings at the Southampton Town Recreation Center on Majors Path. Mon/Tues mornings at the Dance Center of the Hamptons in Westhampton Beach.Winter semester begins week of January 9th. Call 764-4180 now to enroll.

For holiday events, see Holi-Day-By-Day, page 80

AFTER SCHOOL AT ROSS – Drawing and painting 6-8:30 p.m. Clay Open Studio on January 10, 6-8:30 p.m. 3:30-4:30 p.m. At the Ross School at 20 Goodfriend Drive, East Hampton. Call 907-5555.

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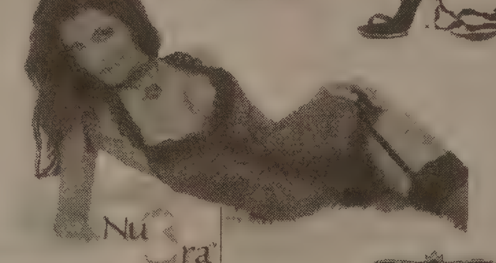

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By Hook or Crook

Spiraled in glossy red and white, reeking of minty fresh and smooth to the touch – until it gets wet, then it becomes a little sticky– it comes in one shape with multiple sizes, each one as fragile as the other. Whether hanging on trees or sitting in bowls, it is likely wrapped in some type of plastic casing. If you like the holidays, then you love candy canes. If you do not love candy canes, well, too bad, you have to tolerate them anyway.

Candy canes are everywhere and they are not going anywhere. The delicate and colorful sticks have been around for centuries. In fact, folklore fans cite the 17th century as the nascent years of this holiday symbol. It was in the Cologne Cathedral, in Germany, where the choirmaster would hand out the peppermint sweets to children during the Living Creche (Christmas pageant) ceremony. Whether the idea was to keep the children silent or attentive, or both, is not quite clear, but you get the point – especially if you have ever tried to keep a youngling as silent as the night during a service when all they can think is, "PRESENTS!"

Candy canes did not cross over the Atlantic Ocean until the 19th century, and most were white (as opposed to white AND red) until the early 20th century. Various claims cite different men from different cities as the original pioneer of the sugary item in the United States. The story remains similar, however, no matter what the name. Recognizing the popularity of decorating Christmas trees as it trickled in from Europe, a man from Indiana or Georgia, or somewhere, had the heart to seize the opportunity and invest in the mass production of candy canes. He began sending them to his friends and family until they became a cultural must-have. As popular as the holiday treats were, they took time and money to make and, therefore, were not as prevalent as they are today. Thanks to the rise of industry, however, it was only a matter of time before so many could be made so quickly each holiday season.

Sure enough, today's candy cane marketers are trying to take their product to new levels with new color patterns and tastes that explore beyond the borders of minty fresh. Still, the classic red and white peppermint is the most popular and meaningful. Some say the shape of the candy cane is supposed to represent a shepherd's cane, and others believe it represents a J for the birthday boy. But they'll both agree that the white is for purity and the red stripe is for love. At one time some felt the red was emblematic of Christ's blood on the cross, but then realized the children wouldn't snack on them if they thought of blood. Hence, the red and white are pleasant holiday aesthetics with the crispy, cool sweetness you associate with the white snow and the green wreaths, and holly of the season.

No matter what historians and folklore fanatics may claim, however, a candy cane can be simply paraphrased as:

"Sugar and corn syrup heated in large kettles and vacuum cooked before poured on a cooling table, added with starch to hold flavor and prevent stickiness during mixing as well as peppermint for flavor, before kneaded until golden brown color and then placed into a puller that makes the candy silky white as it is moved to a batch former and begins taking log-like shape. Of course, red stripes (comprised of their own sugar and mint and artificial color mix) are added to such canes after the crooked object is solid."

Frankly, isn't that all that matters? Symbolic or not, candy canes bring you cheer which doesn't have to be holiday or ritual related. They are just sweet, both literally and figuratively. Indulge.

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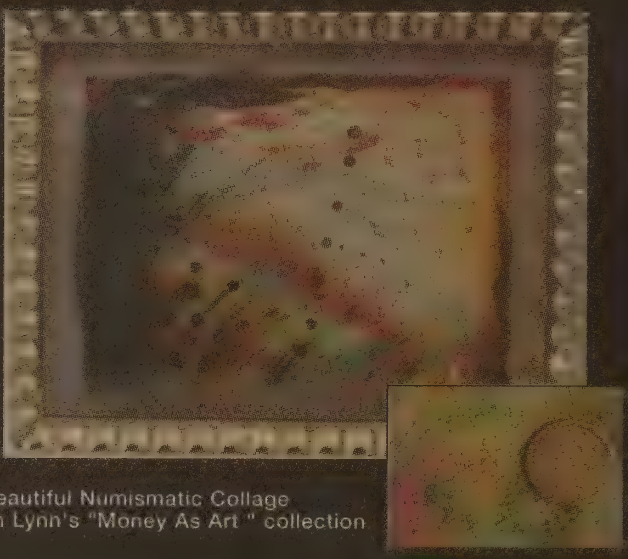

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Getting Through the Holiday in Peace

It was the night of the holiday feast and all throughout the entire house filled with relatives and friends, everything was stirring with the exception of the mouse. All of those people gather around the table to consume anything from mashed potatoes to potato pancakes. Grandma's asking Junior about his first semester at college while Uncle Frank keeps checking the score of the Bears game, and the dog will not stop begging and whining for a slab of holiday scraps. To plan to quell such a blizzard of buzz would be futile, but to plan to channel it in a more convenient way is well within your grasp.

Imagine the big feast this season with all of the family and friends at the table is actually a long road trip. How would you pass the time? Social and card games always do the trick, and they certainly can help you enjoy your way through the food and interaction– especially if you were the one busting your hump all day long making the meal.

Using some Scotch tape and a playing card (or two or three) you can play a simple game that will keep everyone on their toes. Before seats are taken, the card is placed underneath a chair at the table. Whoever finds the card must then place it on the back of his or her chair, as subtly as possible but still visible enough for those next to them to see. By the end of the meal, whoever has the card (or one of the two or three) on the back of their chair receives a gets out of cleaning up the table, or something similar. Games are played most passionately when there is a particular goal or reward, which is why this one works so well. Half the fun is looking for the card, and the other half is trying to remove it from the adjacent chair and place it on yours without anyone else noticing. Deflecting a reach for the card is not allowed, play nicely.

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If you are not a fan of card games, how about a counting game? There are the 12 days of Christmas and 8 nights of Hanukah, but no matter what songs and folklore may have told you, do not always get a dreidel or six geese laying eggs. So instead, think of things in your neighborhood, things you have had on your wish list, or other meaningful nouns to enter in the blank space to complete this holiday Mad Libs. Going in a circle, when it becomes your turn you must repeat all of the items said before you, then come up with your own addition. For instance, such a turn could be heard as, "On the fifth day of Christmas my true love gave to me: 5 Golden Pears, 4 Plovers Piping, 3 Parking Permits, 2 Turtle Crossings and a table at Nick & Toni's." If you or someone forgets any of the previous items, cannot come up with a witty addition, or takes too much time, you lose and have to start all over again.

Similar to the holiday Mad Libs game, the better-or-worse toy game involves memorizing and building information – only this time you want more of a team effort. Whoever begins decides whether you are going to build the best or worst toy possible, then starts with a basic idea. In a circle, when it becomes your turn you basically summarize the ideas and additions made by your fellow feasters before making your own addition. Try to take it to the next level, but not so far that you do not get to hear an ideally complementary facet by your family or friend sitting next to you. For instance, how could you make an X Box 360 degrees better? How about one that apologizes with a sweet voice for every time it crashes, can sing you lullabies while it's able to talk, and can tap into the pizza parlor down to the street to make a delivery call as easily as it can play an online game with another user?

Depending on who plays the game with you, rules and styles can vary. Playing with the entire family (from the elders to the younglings) at the holiday table should be tasteful. If it is among adults, perhaps around New Year's, however, you can get more humorous with your additions to the song or toy game. In addition, requiring someone to sip their holiday cocktail when they mess up the song or toy, or are caught with the card on the back of their chair, can help increase the competition.

When you are gathered all together, why not pass the time best as a group anyway? Crank up the holiday music, or whatever your groove is that night, and let the game take control of the atmosphere for the night. It's bonding time without the usual routine of annual questions, arguments, anecdotes, etc.

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The FYI for NYC

Last week, I wrote about stocking stuffer books, filled with selections of interesting tidbits, happy thoughts or historical facts. There is another type of smallish book that makes a great present, and those are guidebooks. There are hundreds for the tri-state and the surrounding areas – hikes, inns, bike trips – but the ones that your friends and family might not buy for themselves are the guidebooks to New York City.

The perennial "must-have" is, of course, the *Zagat Restaurant Guide*. Openings, closings, what's new, what's hot, best décor, bar scene, fireplace……dozens of categories to suit every mood and every hunger pang as they arise throughout 2006. The ratings are pretty reliable, though I use the comments more than the numbers because they are good for a laugh.

Suz's Spies The Guide to Day Spas, published October 2005, is a fun little book that is based on the *Zagat* model of ratings, comments and categories – though the entries describing the moods, treatments, levels of pampering, range and price of services are much longer and more detailed. There's even a Hamptons section in the back. You can contact author Suzanne Burchill at smburchill@att.net for information.

Last week, I finally used a gift certificate for a manicure, pedicure and Swedish massage at a downtown spa, given to me by a dear friend (in 2004!) that I hadn't gotten to and which was about to expire. It was for the Silk Day Spa in Greenwich Village (47 W. 13th St., 212-255-6457) and it turned out to be magnificent. Every moment was luxurious and I was attended to by some of the sweetest women I've encountered in such an environment. From the elegant 3-dimensional triangular tea bags (www.teaforte.com) dancing in my cup to take the edge off the freezing afternoon, to the understated Asian inspired décor, to the fully stocked locker room, and the kindness of both my talented masseuse, Sukie (who put hot rocks on my impenetrably cold body although it was not part of my treatment) to the clever and sweet Wei (who solved my nail-peeling dilemma), Silk was more than I expected and now, exactly what I want. My friend, Sherry, had a massage with Bethany and her nails done with Angela, and was very happy as well. There is a decadent gift shop at Silk, where you can purchase the fabulous tea bags, dreamy chenille robes and other treats to both give and keep.

THE GUIDE TO DAY SPAS

The Feder Guide to Where to Park Your Car in Manhattan (and Where Not to Park It!), Downtown Edition (Paperback), by Erik Feder was also published in 2005 and it is a very clever and concise directive for exactly that – parking without getting into trouble. There are street parking regulations, information on parking garages, and what to do if your car – gulp – gets towed or stolen. As the transit strike is underway as I write this, I imagine this week this book is invaluable. You can buy it on Amazon, and keep it in the glove compartment for the duration.

Storied City: A Children's Book Guide to New York City (Paperback) by Leonard S. Marcus. This is such a great idea! The author has created twenty walking tours of New York City based on children's literature. It is illustrated with maps, photos, and book art that covers over one hundred places and spaces captured by writers such as E. B. White, Maurice Sendak, Judy Blume, Faith Ringgold, Madeleine L'Engle, and many more. Also available at Amazon.

Finally, for the dog in your life, there is the *Dog Tricks for Dummies* (Paperback) by Sarah Hodgson. It is part of the infamous yellow and black *Dummies* series, and I think its time is now. After all, if you live in the city, you live in an apartment and if you have a dog in said apartment, you are spending a lot of time inside for the next few months. So, why not learn a few tricks? There is a huge index of topics to browse through, and if you get to just a few of them, your pet will definitely be the most entertaining one on the block this winter. Available wherever *Dummies* books are sold, I'm pretty sure, or on the Internet, of course.

There is a mind-boggling selection of activities in Manhattan and the boroughs, but even the most adventurous of us draw a blank some Saturday afternoon. Flip through some of this year's guidebooks (after you've checked out our When in Manhattan column, of course) and spend a day discovering something new about the city you might not know.

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Shop 'til You Drop... With Maria Tennariello

The shops are amazing, the windows are dressed to the max for this 2005 holiday season and shoppers are out there by the droves. Let's do some holiday shopping!

Pigs Can Fly at 124 Main Street in Westhampton Beach is having a "Holiday Sale" with 20% to 50% off on leather and suede handbags including Tiffany & Fred (from Paris), Borsetta (from Milan), Tiziano (from Italy) and Tanos's new bright leather colors in emerald, orange and turquoise with a touch of metallic. I can think of about ten gifts that I get here……Wow!

Sassafras Boutique on Montauk Highway in Hampton Bays is continuing their "Storewide Sale" with 20% to 70% off……This is a good one!

Hatchlings at 30 Main Street in Southampton is running a year round outlet sale of retired merchandise at below cost, with spring/summer and fall/winter clothing from past seasons. Take a look at the cashmere sweaters at $65, coats, shoes, bedding, dresses, and more. Open year round, this is a great source for cruise wear shopping!

At **Calypso** on Main Street in Southampton there is an "End of Season Blow Out Sale" that starts on December 26 with up to 75% off on tops, skirts, sweaters, jackets and coats. Some home accessories are dramatically reduced such as pillows, quilts, and decorative accents.

Leggiadro on Main Street in Southampton is having a "Blow Out" sale on selected cashmere sweaters, printed styles, corduroys and much more.

Christopher Fischer Cashmere's sale is a good one……Save 30% to 65% off select merchandise……at the Jobs Lane, Southampton and Main Street East Hampton location, as well as the shops in New York City.

At **Double Rainbow** on Montauk Highway in Water Mill, you can double your shopping pleasure with specialty toys such as Thomas the Train, Scalextric Slot car sets, Lionel train sets, Hello Kitty, Lego, lots of educational toys and one of the largest selections available of Godiva boxed chocolates and Godiva gift baskets.

Small Potato Nursery on Montauk Highway in Bridgehampton tons of trees, boughs, garlands, wreaths, topiaries and is open 7 days so you can get your tree bought and wreath hung……With the coupon in *Dan's Papers* you will get 10% off fresh cut Christmas trees!

Sag Harbor's Main Street is filled with great sales for the holidays. At **DJ Hart,** look for fabulous ladies velvet dresses, accessories, French milled gift sets, tons of unique jewelry for everyone, including precious stone necklaces that are all the rage, Indian wedding scarves, and jeweled beaded bags in all colors including basic black that are only $32.

Island Surf has winter wet suits that have arrived just in time for the surfer in your life. And Uggs have also just arrived for women, men and kids.

Satori's sale includes 30% off ladies cashmere sweaters; boots are also on sale here. The shop has great dresses and accessories for your holiday parties, so get going, New Year's Eve is right around the corner.

For kids of all ages, stop into **Andrew & Co.** for a great selection of clothing and accessories and enjoy the huge "holiday sale" that is in progress right now.

On The North Fork: At Main Road Home, Antique & Contemporary Furnishings & Gifts, on Main Road in Cutchogue, you will find one of the most imaginative selections of merchandise available on the North Fork. Lynn, the owner has stuffed the shop for holiday shoppers, including a treasure trove of unique, upscale items such as Venetian and painted framed mirrors, accent lighting, decoupage, French ceramics, chunky wooden bowls, unique stools, rattan mats, pewter pitchers, original art and more……all tucked into a most delightful display. This is a perfect place to pick up hostess gifts for $20……Expect the unexpected, this is a must-stop-shop.

It's time to run to Bridgehampton to pick up Tino, my schnauzer……I had him groomed to the hilt for the holidays, bows and all ……Donna primps him and puffs him and he loves it. He's all ready for Santa.

Until next year. Ciao and Happy Holiday Shopping! I would like to wish all my readers a very happy and healthy holiday season……

If you have any questions or comments, or your shop is having a sale, I would love to know about it. E-mail me at shoptil@danspapers.com or by fax at: 631-537-6755.

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BENEFITS

GURNEY'S INN – 1/1 – Annual Polar Bear Dip for Mission of Kindness Children's Fund at 11 a.m. Buffet Brunch at 11:30 a.m. Hit Comedy Show at 9 p.m. 290 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. Call 668-2345.

FRIDAY, 23

GIFTS THAT MEAN THE MOST – 12/23 – Shabbat Service with Rabbi Gelfand at 3 p.m. 44 Woods Lane in East Hampton. 324-9859.

CHICKS WITH STICKS – 12/23 – 6 p.m. Beginning Knitting Class at Hildreth's, Main Street, Southampton. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.. All are welcome to attend. Every Friday morning. Call 726-8606.

SCROOGE – 12/23 – Starring Albert Finney will play at 7 p.m. at Bay Street Theater, on the corner of Bay and Main Street, Sag Harbor. Call 725-0818.

SATURDAY, 24

HOLIDAY FILM SERIES – 12/24 – *It's About Time* will be shown at 2 Brook, across from the Hampton Synagogue, 154 Sunset Avenue, Westhampton Beach at 7:30 p.m. Call 288-0534.

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Saturday, December 17
1:30-3:30 • Hayrides, Victorian Carolers
2:00-4:00 • "Santa" Visit at The Chamber of Commerce on Main Street.
3:00 • "Tea & Cider Party," The Southampton Historical Museum ($Fee)
6:00 • "Live Nativity", First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 18
1:30-3:30 • Mrs. Claus & The Grinch
3:00 • "Tea & Cider Party," The Southampton Historical Museum ($Fee)

Friday, December 30
3:30 • "Light the Menorah," Rabbi Konikov corner of Jobs Lane & Main Street Southampton Village

For Further Information Call
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283-0402
76 Main Street
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SCREENING – 12/24 – *Winged Migration* screens at 1 p.m. South Fork Natural History Museum, 377 Bridgehampton/Sag Harbor Turnpike, Bridgehampton. 537-9735.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE –12/24 – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at the Sag Harbor United Methodist Church on Madison Street. 5 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR – 12/24 – Christmas Eve Service at 5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian (Old Whalers') Church of Sag Harbor, 44 Union Street. Harbor Bells and the church choir perform. 725-0894.

MASS – 12/24 – Christmas Eve Mass at St. Andrews R.C. Church, Division Street, Sag Harbor. 7 p.m. 725-0123.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE – 12/24 – 5:30 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, East Union Street at Route 114, Sag Harbor. Candlelight service with carols at 8:30 p.m. 725-0128.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – 12/24 – Children's Service and Pageant at St. Ann's Episcopal Church, 2463 Main Street, Bridgehampton. 4:30 p.m. 537-1527.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – 12/24 – At St. Ann's Episcopal Church, 2463 Main Street, Bridgehampton. Christmas Music at 10 p.m. followed by Candlelight Service and Festive Choral Eucharist at 10:30 p.m. 537-1527.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE – 12/24 – Eve Candlelight Service 5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Southampton, 2 South Main Street in Southampton. 283-1296.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE – 12/24 – 5 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 2 S. Main Street, Southampton. Call 283-2590.

LONG POND GREENBELT SOUTH – 12/24 – Hike meets from 9-11:30 a.m. at South Fork Natural History Museum parking lot on Bridgehampton Turnpike. Call 537-0660.

THE COSMOLOGY OF CHRISTMAS – 12/24 – Lecture at Unitarian Universalist congregation at 4 p.m. at 977 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike.

SUNDAY, 25

MENORAH LIGHTING – 12/25 – At Long Wharf, Sag Harbor. 4:30 p.m. Presented by the Conservative Synagogue of the Hamptons.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE – 12/25 –At 10 a.m. at the First Presbyterian (Old Whalers') Church of Sag Harbor, 44 Union Street. 725-0894.

MASS – 12/25 – Christmas Day Mass at Christ Episcopal Church. 10 a.m. Hampton Road and East Union Street, Sag Harbor. 725-0128.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE – 12/25 – Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at St. Ann's Episcopal Church, 2463 Main Street, Bridgehampton. 10 a.m. 537-1527.

HOW DOES SANTA DO IT? – 12/25 – Unitarian Universalist congregation at 10:30 a.m. at 977 Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE 12/25 – 10 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Southampton, 2 South Main Street. 283-1296.

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP – 12/25 – 10 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 2 S. Main Street, Southampton. Call 283-2590.

SUNDAY NIGHT JAZZ – 12/25 – Dennis Raffelock will perform at Pierre's, 2468 Main Street, Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

WESTHAMPTON BEACH CHANUKAH – 12/25 – 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Village Green in Westhampton. 288-3337.

✓ **PICK OF THE WEEK**

MILLER PLAY – 1/12-15 – Hampton Theater Company performs Arthur Miller's *The Price* 8 p.m. and Sunday, 2:30 p.m. Call 653-8955.

TUESDAY, 27

LIVE JAZZ – 12/27 – Jody Carlson performs at Pierre's Restaurant on 2468 Main Street in Bridgehampton every Tuesday evening from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Call 537-5110.

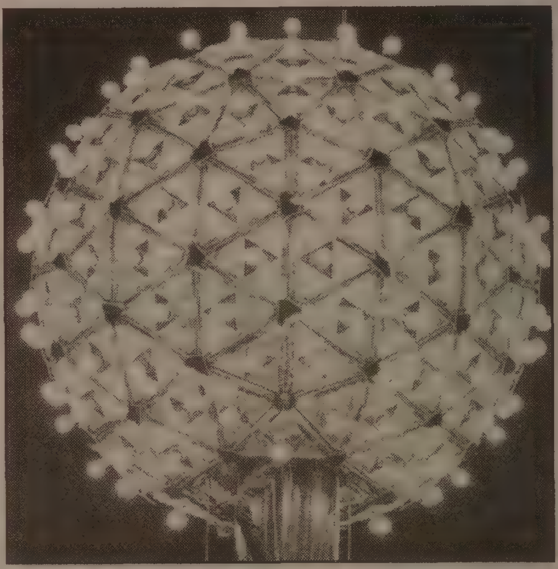
ESTIA CANTINA – 12/27 – Jazz trumpeter Maurice Brown performs with pianist Anthony Wonsey at 7 and 9 p.m. Located at 177 Main Street in Amagansett. Call 267-6320.

THURSDAY, 29

PHOTOGRAPHY RECEPTION – 12/29 – Reception for Kathryn Szoka's "Through the Seasons on Quail Hill" from 5-7 p.m. and holiday gathering at Canio's. 290 Main Street in Sag Harbor. 725-4926.

ESTIA CANTINA – 12/29 – The Rusty Scott Trio will perform at 7 and 9 p.m. Located at 177 Main Street in Amagansett. Call 267-6320.

LONG POND GREENBELT NORTH – 12/29 – hike meets from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Mashashimuet Park, Sag Harbor. Call 726-5903.



ONGOING FITNESS AND YOGA EVENTS

KICKS FITNESS – At 9 a.m. Cathe Thompson teaches a family Hour Spin class, for which she is offering a family special half price deal. At 10 a.m. she teaches a Cardio Super Sculpt Class. Every Sunday Julia Prince leads a fitness program called "Hot Tracks, Circuit Boot Camp" at 9:30. Located at 5 Railroad Avenue in .East Hampton. Call 631.324.5333.

MARTIAL ARTS – Adult Jujitsu class will be held at Mark Tuthill's Martial Arts Center on Mon – Thurs. at 7 p.m. and Tues and Sat at 10 a.m. Cardio Kickboxing is Mon – Sat at 9 a.m. and Mon – Thurs at 6 p.m. at 37 Three Mile Harbor Rd. in East Hampton. Call 329-5982.

ANANDA – Mommy & Me class every Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. Kids class Mondays & Fridays at 4:15 p.m., Senior Class, Wednesdays at 4 p.m. 7/11, Partner Yoga. Located at 20 Hampton Road, Southampton. Call 259-8805 for more class information.

LOTUS BLOSSOM CLASSES – Monday/5:30, Tuesday/5:30, Wednesday/9:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m., Friday/9:30 a.m., Saturday/9 a.m., Sunday/9:30 a.m.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE!!!

STONEWALL'S RESTAURANT – New Year's Gala with 4 hours open bar, dancing and DJ Tommy Tunes from 9 p.m. -1 a.m. 967 Reeves, Riverhead. $25 per person.Call 506-0777.00

INDIAN COVE – 12/31 – New Year's on the water: Early seating 5-7 p.m., 3-course dinner, $40. Gala event 5-course dinner with DJ and dancing at 9:30 p.m. for $75. 258 Montauk Highway in Hampton Bays. 728-5366.

NICK AND TONI'S – Grand Event with Brazilian band and more, 136 Main Street in East Hampton. Call 324-3550.

THREE NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTIES – Beginning at 8 p.m. with DJ, belly dancers, buffet, bar and more, at three locations. Cost is $95 with open bar. JL East in East Hampton at 103 Montauk Highway. JLX on 16 Main Street in Sag Harbor. (725-9100); and Madam Tong's in Southampton (204-0300).

DRESS TO KILL BASH – "The Extravaganza of Ancient Rome" Annual New Year's Bash at Gurney's Inn. Dance all night with 7 piece band. 290 Old Montauk Highway in Montauk. 668-3203.

NEW YEAR'S AT CIGAR BAR – Special Champagne toast free and festivities. Located at 2 Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-2575.

NEW YEAR'S AT ESTIA – All night with Rusty Scott Quartet starts at 9:30 p.m. Champagne and hors d'oeuvres. Located at 177 Main Street in Amagansett. Call 267-6320.

NEW YEAR'S AT STEPHEN TALKHOUSE – 12/31 – Little Heads Think at 10 p.m. at Stephens Talkhouse, 161 Main Street, Amagansett. 631-267-3117 .

MAGNOLIA – 12/31 – New Year's Eve party. $45 early seating, $80 late seating with entertainment. 29 Main Street, Sag Harbor. Call 725-0101.

OASIS – 12/31 – Waterfront restaurant and bar. Ring in the new year! 7-course dinner, champagne toast at midnight, hats, noisemakers, DJ, and dancing. Located at 3253 Noyac Road, Sag Harbor. Call 725-7110.

VILLA TUSCANO – 12/31 – New Year's Eve gala with DJ and dancing. Open bar and Champagne toast at midnight. Continental breakfast. $75 per person. Located at 336 W. Montauk Highway. Call 728-7262.

JL EAST – 12/31 – Bistro, raw bar, and lounge. East Hampton's new SoHo Bistro. $95 per person New Year's Eve. Located at 103 Montauk Highway, East Hampton. Call 324-1100.

THE PATIO – 12/31 – New Year's Eve gala. Early seating from 5:30-7 p.m. 4-course dinner, Champagne toast $55. Late seating 8-11 p.m. 5-course dinner and dancing with champagne toast $80. Balloons and party favors. Located at 54 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. Call 288-4878.

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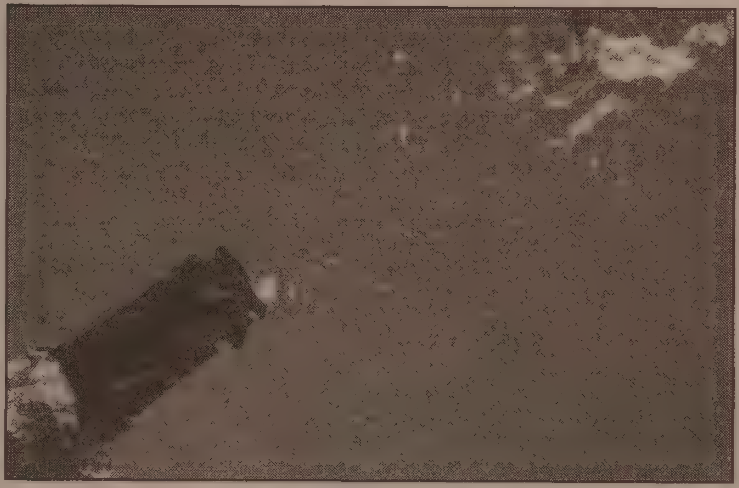
and 11:30 a.m. Located at 328 Montauk Hwy, Wainscott. Call 537-7442.

SAG HARBOR PILATES – Pilates mat classes will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday at 6 p.m. with Debbie Rudoy. $20 per class. Reservations suggested. Located in Sag Harbor. Call 725-5994.

PECONIC RIVER YOGA – Daily classes all level. Free meditation every Tuesday 7 p.m. No experience necessary. Located at 320 Main St, Riverhead. For info. call 369-9569 or visit www.peconicriveryoga.com.

ROSS SCHOOL YOGA – At 5:30 – 6:30 pm the Ross School will hold a Body Sculpting: Fitness for life class. From 6:45 – 7:45 there will be a pilates Mat Class. Located at 18 Goodfriend Drive in East Hampton. Call 907-5555

ZEBRA YOGA – The East End's only Bikram Hot Yoga and Power Vinyasa.Classes 7 days a week for beginner through advanced.Now located at 36 Water Street in Sag Harbor. Call 537-YOGA for latest schedule.



UPCOMING EVENTS

SNOWBOARD TRIP – 12/30 – Bus departs Main Beach Surf at 3:30 a.m. and returns approximately 9:45 p.m. $100 with lift ticket, 129.95 with lift ticket and rental. Call 537-2716.

SOUTHAMPTON CHANUKAH FESTIVAL – 12/30 – At 7:30 p.m. at the Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. Call 287-2249.

HOLIDAY VACATION PERFORMANCES – 12/30 – *Snappy Happy Holidays* from the Uncle Brothers multicultural holiday show at 2 p.m. at the Parrish Art Museum, 25 Jobs Lane, call 283-2118.

CHANUKAH FESTIVAL – 12/30-12/31 – Friday at 3:30 p.m. is Public Menorah lighting on Jobs Lane and Main Street. A rocking Chanukah Eve at the Southampton Hospital at 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY NIGHT JAZZ – 1/1 – Paul Kendal will perform at Pierre's, 2468 Main Street, Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.

POLAR PLUNGE – 1/1 – Annual Polar Bear Dip for Mission of Kindness Children's Fund at 11 a.m. Buffet Brunch at 11:30 a.m. Hit Comedy Show at 9 p.m. 290 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. Call 668-2345.

LOAVES AND FISHES COOKSHOP– 1/5 – Light eating after holidays lunches with Larry Hayden. 12-2:30 p.m. $85. At 2422 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton. Call 537-6066.

LOAVES AND FISHES COOKSHOP – 1/6 – Hearty main course soups with Michael Vignapiano. From 6-8:30 p.m. $85. At 2422 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton. Call 537-6066.

GEOGRAPHY IS DESTINY – 1/6 – Architect Jaquelin T. Robertson will deliver a lecture on how the East End developed and grew. At Clinton Academy, 151 Main Street, East Hampton. 6:30 p.m. Call 324-6850.

WESTHAMPTON BEACH PERFORMING ARTS CENTER – 1/6-8 – *Everything is Illuminated* will be shown there. Located at 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. Call 288-1500.

WOW – 1/6-8 – Women Only Weekend at Gurney's in the Ocean Front Room with Karaoke on Friday, Lingerie Fashion Show and stand up comedy. 290 Old Montauk Highway, Montauk. Call 668-2345.

MILLER PLAY – 1/12,13,14 – Arthur Miller's *The Price* performed by Hampton Theater Company on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Call 653-8955.

LOAVES AND FISHES COOKSHOP – 1/12 – Winter roast pork loin dinner with Jeanne Cuddy-Peretz. 6-8:30 p.m. $85. At 2422 Montauk Highway, Bridgehampton. Call 537-6066.

Email calendar requests to Dan's *Events Department at or fax to 537-3330. The deadline for event listing requests is Friday at noon before the next issue.*

HOLIDAY GUIDE

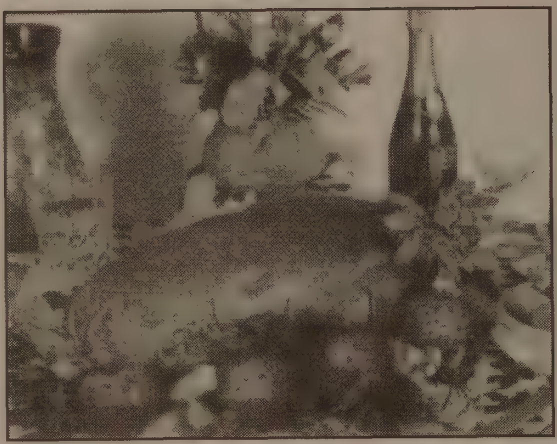
Is Your Goose Cooked?

For the past few weeks, all I have heard is that Christmas traditions are being lost and then replaced with commercialism and all that other humbug that people who are too lazy to shop and cook complain about. The truth is, Christmas has always been commercial. It has always been about spending money and hosting large parties and indulging. Yes, years ago there were no remote control cars, no iPods, no Mercedes Benzes, but people showed their affluence in other ways. A fancy Christmas dinner was one of the major venues of boasting one's wealth. Although goose was considered a commoner's dinner after the "discovery" of the American turkey, for centuries before, it was a meal to be heralded. Now, with a resurgence in the exploration of tradition, compounded with a desire to spice up the same old holiday menu, goose is making a come back.

If you are looking for the authentic experience, you can actually drift out in a hunting blind and shoot your very own goose, pluck its feathers and roast it, but if you're not willing to get out on the freezing cold water on Christmas morning to rustle up some dinner, visit a local butcher, like Cromer's in Noyac, and place your order (the sooner, the better).

Here is a great little recipe for Christmas Goose that won't make you crazy around the holidays. If you're worried about disrupting your family's traditional meal, you can always make this dish on Christmas Eve or even for guests around New Year's.

Enjoy.



DOUBLE STUFFED CHRISTMAS GOOSE

Ingredients

9-12 lb goose

For cranberry port stuffing

4 oz. dried cranberries
2 fl oz. ruby port
1 small onion, chopped
2 strips bacon
1 1/2 oz. butter
2 cloves garlic, chopped
1 lb sausage meat
3 oz. fresh white or brown breadcrumbs, from a good quality loaf
2 tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
1/2 tsp fresh thyme leaves, chopped
5 oz. peeled, cooked chestnuts, roughly chopped
1 egg, lightly beaten
salt
freshly ground black pepper

For shallot, sage, hazelnut and orange stuffing

12 oz. shallots, thinly sliced
2 oz. butter
1/2 oz. superfine sugar
1 orange, finely grated zest and juice only
3 heaping tbsp fresh sage, chopped
3 oz. roasted, skinned hazelnuts, roughly chopped
5 oz. fresh white breadcrumbs, from a good quality loaf
1 egg, beaten
salt
freshly ground black pepper

Method

1. To make the cranberry port stuffing, soak the cranberries in the port for an hour. Fry the onion and bacon gently in the butter until the onion is tender and the bacon cooked.
2. Add the garlic and fry for another minute or so. Cool slightly, then mix with the remaining ingredients, including the cranberries and port, adding enough of the egg to bind.
3. Fry a small piece of stuffing to test seasoning and adjust accordingly.
4. To make the hazelnut and orange stuffing, fry the shallots gently in the butter until golden, then add the sugar and the orange juice.
5. Simmer until the liquid has virtually all evaporated leaving a delicious jammy mass of shallots.
6. Pour boiling water over the sage, leave for one minute, then drain and squeeze dry. Add to the shallots, along with all the other ingredients.
7. Fry a small piece of stuffing to test seasoning and adjust accordingly.
8. To prepare the goose, trim the excess fat from inside the goose. Pack the cranberry port stuffing into the neck end of the goose, pressing it firmly and then tucking the flap of skin neatly down around it.
9. Secure firmly underneath with wooden cocktail sticks or a metal skewer.
10. Three-quarters fill the stomach cavity with the hazelnut and orange stuffing.
11. Preheat the oven to 375F.
12. Prick the skin of the goose all over with a fork. Season with salt and pepper. Lay some of the fat removed from the cavity over the thighs to keep them moist.
13. Cover with foil and place on a rack in the oven with a tray underneath so that you can empty out the fat regularly.
14. Roast a 9 lb goose for three hours, a 10-11 lb goose for three-and-a-half hours and a 12 lb goose for four hours.
15. Remove the foil for 30-40 minutes before the end of the cooking time so that the skin can brown and crisp.
16. To test it is cooked, pierce the fattest part of the thigh with a skewer. If the juices run clear then the bird is done.
17. Rest for 20-30 minutes, oven turned off with the door ajar, before carving.

This recipe has been adapted from Sophie Grigson Roast Goose with Two Stuffings.

–Christian McLean

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Giving Out the Goods

Scouring for Top 10 Hot Holiday Gifts Ideas this season proved to be a joyous experience. The following is a list of favorite things from cozy classics to fun fashions, fine jewelry, seductive scents and food for the soul.

CLASSIC CASHMERE

Stick with the classics and you can't go wrong. Year after year cashmere makes its way into stores and flies off the shelves. This year you will find cashmere in a great range of colors from vibrant pinks and reds to pretty pastels, and classic earth tones. You'll find coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, blankets and "one size fits all" wraps and scarves. Shop from a fine selection at Southampton shops Berkley Cashmere 28 Jobs Lane Southampton, NY 631-287-6130 and the Cashmere Outlet 43 Jobs Lane, Southampton, NY 631-283-1926.

Cashmere is the fine wool found under the long coarse hair of goats living in Northwest China, Mongolia, Nepal and Siberia. Cashmere is the highest quality natural fiber there is and is also warmer, softer, and lighter in weight than all other natural fibers. -www.edencashmere.com

SEDUCTIVE SCENTS

When a scent says something to you, buy it, wrap it and give it to the one you love. This year Corduroy by Zihr – for Men spoke to me in every language. Corduroy is described as "a fresh, inviting burst of Grapefruit and Mandarin combined with subtle notes of suede and spices." Clearly stated, Corduroy is simply sublime. Macy's 190 West Montauk Highway, Hampton Bays, NY 11946, A Little of What You Fancy 19 Newtown Lane, East Hampton, NY and on-line at www.zihr.com 4.2 oz. $58.00

The difference between Perfume, Eau de Perfume, Eau de Toilette, and Eau de Cologne in the amount or concentration of the oils in the fragrance. These oils are called juice. The highest concentration of "juice" is in perfume down to the least in cologne. The higher the concentration the longer your fragrance will last, and the less you will need to apply. www.4perfumeinfo.com

FUN FASHIONS

Bomber Hats are hot in the Hamptons this holiday season. They're also practical, warm and a must have for surviving winter in New England. J. McLaughlin of Southampton has a nice selection of stylish fur lined hats in various fabrics for men and woman including colorful quilting, tweed and leather. J. McLaughlin 12 Jobs Lane, Southampton, NY 631-283-4050 www.jmclaughlin.com. $85

Interchangeable Beaded Rings: These sterling silver rings are new on the horizon and a big hit with everyone that sees them. Choose from an array of glass beads to fit any style. Anne-Made Designs 401-884-3925 or on-line at $25.00

Silk Scarves by Amilio Pucci: These scarves are described as "modern art with a vintage vibe." The wonderful swirl designs come in rich color combinations that add style and charm to any outfit. $165.00 www.nordstrom.com

FINE JEWELRY

Judith Ripka Rings made from 18K gold with crystals and diamonds have the look and feel of Royal Jewels. Both elegant and exquisite these rings are perfect with any outfit from a cocktail dress to designer jeans. $2,700 - $3,000.

Buccellati "Hawaii" Earrings made with matted spun gold and interlocking ring design are simple, stunning and graceful. $2,700.

Rings and Earrings can be found at London Jewelers 2 Main Street East Hampton, NY 631-329-3939 – 47 Main Street Southampton, NY 631-287-4499

FOOD FOR THE SOUL

When you're not sure about size or style you can't go wrong with delectable delights. Surf the net and you'll be sure to find fabulous foods for the Holidays. The following fine foods pass every test for flavor and packaging appeal.

CHOCOLATES

Phillips Candy House of Boston has been in the chocolate business for over 75 years. They offer a variety of assortment boxes and baskets for the Holidays. 617-282-2090 www.phillipscandyhouse.com

CAKES AND COOKIES

Dancing Deer Baking Company offers award winning Cakes, Cookies and Brownies for all occasions. Holiday Favorites include: Molasses Clove, Chocolate Tangerine and Cherry Almond Ginger Cookies, Deep Dark Gingerbread Cake and Peppermint Fudge Brownies. 1-800-699-3337 www.dancingdeer.com

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Show Them the Money

Collecting starts as an interest, turns into a passion and most likely ends up as a lucrative investment. "Money As Art" is a series of unique collages created by artist Lynn Engstrom. Her collages are creating a whirl of excitement to both collectors of fine art and the numismatic world.

I have been a serious collector/writer my entire life (over seventy-some years) and am still going strong. I have authored many books, several on collecting such as *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of World Coins.*

A few years ago I met Lynn, an interesting artist, who has a studio in Port Washington. Lynn is multi-talented as an advertising executive creative director, jewelry designer and mother of two teenage boys.

I showed Lynn my collections ranging from sports memorabilia, stamps, coins/paper monies and rare documents (much of this material is used in my writings). She asked me why I kept all these wonderful collections tucked away in boxes and proposed the concept "Money As Art" to me. It sounded rather interesting so I donated the materials she requested to create her collages such as:

*American Revolutionary War banknotes from the 1770 in $5 and $8 denominations.

*Confederate State Notes of the 1860s in $10 and $50 values.

* U.S. one dollar bills signed by such noted celebrities as TV host Ed Sullivan and Felix Schlag, designer of the Jefferson nickel.

*A five dollar bill issued in Oil Creek, Pennsylvania, shortly after the first successful oil well was drilled in nearby Titusville in 1859 by Colonel Edward Drake.

*Classic banknotes issued in South Carolina in the mid – 19th century before a true national currency was established.

*Currencies from countries around the world, including the United States, produced by the American Bank Note Company, New York, the leading issuer of "precious paper."

Ms. Engstrom's artworks have been carefully framed with custom wooden frames, floated between double glass so both the obverse and reverse sides can be viewed. In addition to the banknotes, other collectibles, including rare and unique stamps, boxing cards and early baseball trading cards are also featured in her collection.

Among the philatelic items are: Several converse framed "Penny Black" (mounted on original caches). These were the first adhesive postage stamp issued in May 1890 by Great Britain. Other items include "fumigated" or disinfected covers issued in Europe in the mid-19th century. These covers were fumigated (though a heat process) to help stop the spread of cholera and other contagious diseases. These covers in good condition are quite rare and have great historical importance. Another highlight in the Engstrom Collection includes an elaborately engraved Russian banknote, series of 1947. The 25 rubles note bears the portrait of Nikolai Lenin (1870-1924), the founder of the Soviet Union. While the 1947 note bears the sickle and hammer design, that emblem is no longer used on modern notes of Russia.

Lynn asked that I write a short note explaining the numismatic materials she incorporated in each collage so the owner/viewer could understand and appreciate the history and value within each piece of artwork.

Ms. Engstrom's artwork is very colorful, infused watercolors on various handmade papers, with detailed pen and ink illustrations accented with touches of fabrics, and objects of interest. Her works have been exhibited on both sides of the Atlantic. She was one of two hundred artists selected to represent the USA at the "American Painters in Paris, Biennial Expo" in Paris, France.

Stories within stories, history that can never be duplicated, "Money As Art" promises to be a collection of artwork which will never tire, always presenting a visual curiosity and an investment of historical and increasing monetary value.

–Dr. Robert Obojski

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

Don't Be Just Another Photocopied Derriere

Office holiday parties are like blind dates: Wear the wrong shirt, tell the wrong joke or drink one too many martinis and it's all over. Each year amid the jovial flow of cocktail franks, gin-and-tonics and choruses of "Fill Me Up, Buttercup," someone becomes *that guy*, a footnote in their company's holiday folklore, forever labeled as the one who thought it would be brilliantly funny to goose the boss' wife.

According to a lot of employees, holiday shindigs just aren't what they used to be. Sensitized by sexual harassment cases, companies are staging sedate affairs these days, replacing open bars with voucher systems, keeping the lights bright and toning down the music, which sounds like a less-cute version of the middle school dance. Gone are the nights of photocopying one's bare buttocks, groping interns and hauling home a gift bag full of goodies.

One of the all-time Christmas parties from hell took place 10 years ago when a group of Irish revelers set off from London's Gatwick Airport for Disneyland. Shortly after the flight took off, friendly boozing turned into shouting and swearing, which escalated into some of the party flinging food, urinating in the aisles and throwing punches. The US Olympic Wrestling team happened to be on the flight, and they moved in and subdued the rowdy element. Some spent the remainder of the flight handcuffed to their seats.

Most of the time, fortunately, holiday office parties are just dull. Pop a mini-wiener, plaster on a perky smile and sip the vile nog. If your boss found it nutty to schedule the party at a supper club, do a quick Electric Slide with the guys in Accounts Payable and you're outta there.

Well, the annual *Dan's Papers* party was a bit more boisterous than I had expected. And although I didn't put a lampshade on my head, I didn't restrain myself either, but hit the dance floor like nobody's business and stuffed my face with crab cakes like I was going into hibernation. But why is that so bad?

For those hoping to stick to the conservative side, here is some advice. Don't give in to that primal "for once, I'm going to say what I REALLY think" impulse. Do stake out a good vantage point where you can see all the shenanigans on the dance floor. Don't talk to your boss after your third drink. Some say to avoid the dance floor altogether. Just because the gin is free doesn't mean flailing like a drowning victim to the tune of "Hey Ya" in front of your entire department won't come at a steep price. I'm not sure I believe you. Beware of "great ideas." In short, what may sound like a statement of pure genius after six vodka tonics will certainly seem less so after eight hours of sleep. Though it is tempting, don't ravage the buffet. Have a buddy system, equipped with the "I have no idea what this person's name is" signal. If you bring a date, make sure he's somewhat gregarious. Don't bring a stranger, this is no place for a first date. You don't want "Rif-Raf the Monkey Boy" as your date.

Know your alcohol intake limit. You may not remember whom you talked to the next day but there's a good chance you wrote your name on your boss' tie so he'd never forget. And if you do end up on the tables or telling someone how much you really love them, it will be okay. Although, you may want to request a transfer to another floor on Monday, if you work at that kind of place. Here's the final word on office etiquette. Keep that proverbial pen out of the company ink. Don't get crazy with the mistletoe.

In a survey conducted in the Midwest last year, 33% of respondents said that they or someone they know has left an office party in tears. 20% will make up excuses so that they can avoid going. 10% have "started relationships" at an office party. 8% have handed in their resignation or know someone who has quit at an office party. 6% have been fired or know someone who was fired at an office party. This sounds bleak.

But I assure you these shindigs can be fun, as my first experience last week taught me. Just curb your drinking and avoid shameful moments at the Xerox machine.

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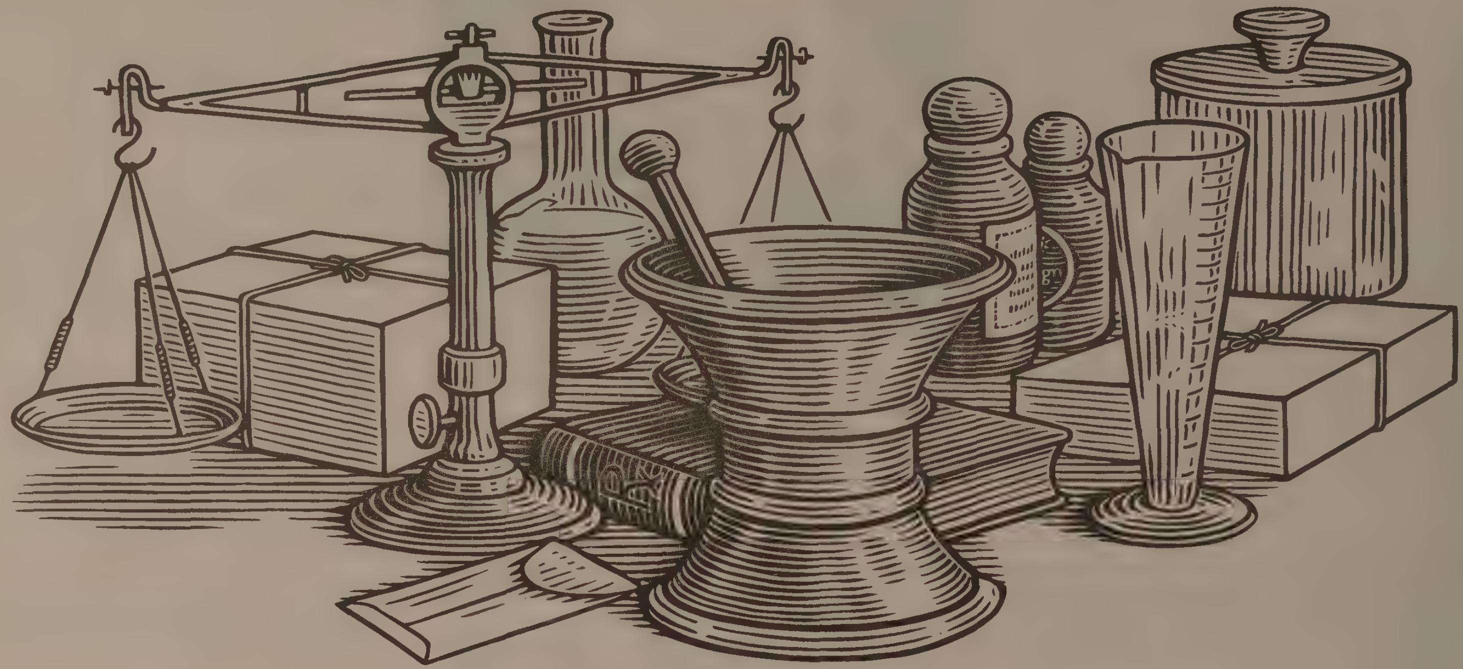

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Silvia Lehrer's Cooking Column

When I was a child, Hanukkah was a time when we lit the menorah, the eight candle candelabra, each night for eight nights. An aunt gave my brother, sisters and me gifts of money. When my own children were young the tradition of giving small gifts became important. And today this minor holiday, which is not mentioned in the bible, is celebrated with much fanfare. Hanukkah is the familiar and famous story of the miraculous jar of oil that burned for eight days. This year it begins on Sunday, December 25. How appropriate is the coincidence of the date and the holiday that gave birth to the Festival of Lights?

When Antiochus IV sought to impose another culture on the Jews of Israel in 167 BCE he intensified his campaign by defiling the Temple in Jerusalem and banning Jewish practice. The Maccabees, led by the five sons of the priest Mattathias, waged a victorious three-year campaign. To restore the devastation in the Temple after their military victory, light was needed for the work ahead. History tells us that only enough oil was found to light the temple for one day yet the oil burned for eight days. The holiday, with its positive portrayal of the ancient Jewish fighters feels particularly connected to the message of freedom and liberty.

It is traditional on this holiday to prepare foods cooked in oil, and potato pancakes or *latkes* head the list. I've given the following *latke*-style recipes a bit of a twist by adding the base of sautéd sweet pepper and scallions to both potato pancakes and a thoroughly delicious vegetable pancake. Hanukkah has developed into a holiday rich with historical and cultural significance.

POTATO AND SWEET RED PEPPER PANCAKES

Heart healthy cooks may opt to bake rather than fry their potato latkes. This may be okay at other times of the year, but not on Hanukkah. There's simply nothing like the scrumptious, crisp texture and taste of latkes fried in oil!

Makes 10–12 2 1/2 inch potato pancakes

1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
1 red bell pepper, trimmed, deseeded and diced
2-3 scallions, trimmed and thinly sliced white and light green parts
2 large Russet baking potatoes, peeled and grated
1 egg, beaten
1/4 cup matzo meal or all-purpose flour
1/4 cup water
1 1/2 teaspoon coarse (kosher) salt
Freshly ground pepper to taste
Canola oil for frying

1. Warm oil in a 10-12 inch heavy skillet that you will also use to sauté your pancakes. Add the diced pepper and scallions and sauté about 3 minutes, stirring with a wooden spoon until tender. Remove to a side dish and set aside to cool.

2. Meanwhile peel and grate the potatoes on the large holes of a four-sided grater directly into a mixing bowl or, if using the food processor transfer grated potatoes to a mixing bowl, into the work bowl of a food processor fitted with the shredding blade.. Add the beaten egg, matzo meal or flour, water, salt, pepper, and the sautéd sweet pepper mixture. Stir ingredients to thoroughly mix.

3. Pour oil into the skillet to a depth of about 1/4-inch and heat over medium to medium-low heat. With a large oval kitchen spoon, drop potato mixture into the hot oil then flatten slightly with the back of the spoon. Sauté about 3 minutes on one side, carefully turn with a metal spatula and saute about 2 1/2 minutes longer until crisp and golden on both sides. Drain on paper towels as they are done. They may be prepared ahead and reheated in a 200-degree oven before serving. Serve with apple sauce, if desired.

CARROT, PARSNIP AND ZUCCHINI LATKES

The food processor makes easy work of this inspired vegetable pancake.

Makes 10-12 pancakes

1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
1 yellow bell pepper, trimmed, deseeded and diced
2 - 3 scallions, trimmed and thinly sliced white and light green parts
2 - 3 carrots, peeled and trimmed
1 large or 2 narrow parsnips, peeled and trimmed
1 firm zucchini, trimmed and scrubbed
2 eggs, beaten
1/4 cup matzo meal or all-purpose flour
1/4 cup water
Coarse (kosher) salt to taste
Freshly ground pepper
Canola oil for frying

1. Warm oil in a 10 to 12 inch skillet that you will also use to sauté your pancakes. Add the diced pepper and scallions and sauté about 3 minutes, stirring with a wooden spoon until pepper is tender. Remove from skillet and set aside to cool.

2. Put shredding blade in work bowl of a food processor. Cut carrots and parsnips in lengths to fit the tube in the cover of the processor. Insert vegetables, one at a time and process to shred. (You may also shred the vegetables on the large holes of a four-sided stand-up grater.) Transfer mixture to a large bowl. Add beaten eggs, matzo meal or flour, water and salt and pepper to taste. Add yellow pepper and scallions and stir to mix.

3. Pour oil into the skillet to a depth of 1/4-inch and heat over medium to medium low heat. With a large oval kitchen spoon, drop vegetable mixture into the hot oil and flatten slightly with the back of the spoon. Sauté about 3 minutes on one side, carefully turn with a metal spatula and saute about 2 1/2 minutes longer until crisp and golden. Drain on paper towels as they are done. Pancakes may be prepare ahead and kept warm in a 200-degree oven before serving. Serve as a side dish or vegetarian course.

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Dining in the **Hamptons**

Side Dish

By Aji Jones

Don't know where to eat this holiday season? Local restaurants are giving diners plenty to choose from...

Le Chef in Southampton – that venerable, but still modern bistro on Jobs Lane (283-8581) – will be serving dinner on Christmas Eve from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., and will have two seatings for New Year's Eve: the 5 p.m. slot offers a 3 course prix fixe for $45 (out by 6:45 sharp); the 7 p.m. offering runs $75 and goes until closing. They'll come right back New Year's Day at 1 p.m .– and they'll serve until 8 p.m.

For Christmas Eve at **James on Main** in Southampton, they'll offer an a la carte menu from 5 to 10 p.m. featuring Long Island clam chowder, chestnut ravioli, twin lobster tail and Cornish game hen. New Year's Eve festivities include a special menu consisting of lobster bisque, grilled Colorado lamb chop, and gorgonzola-crusted veal chop as well as DJ and dancing throughout the night. From 10:30 p.m., there will be a cover charge of $50 for open bar until 12:30 a.m., hors d'oeuvres and midnight champagne toast. The restaurant will be closed Christmas and New Year's Day. For more info, call 283-7575.

In Hampton Bays, **Indian Cove Restaurant and Marina** is open on Christmas Eve. They will also host a New Year's Eve celebration on the water with the early seating featuring three courses from 5 to 7 p.m. for $40 per person. At 9:30 p.m., a five-course celebration will include music and dancing for $75. For details, call 728-5366. A New Year's Eve Gala at **Villa Tuscano** on Montauk Highway features a complete sit-down dinner with open bar , champagne toast, DJ and dancing, and a continental breakfast for $75. Call 728-7262 for reservations.

Almondito, in East Hampton, will serve from the a la carte menu starting at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve and for the first seating from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve. The second New Year's Eve seating will be at 9 p.m. featuring a three-course dinner, champagne toast, DJ and dancing for $65 per person. The bar will be open for drinks and dancing. Call 329-6700 for further info. Sister restaurant, **Almond,** in Bridgehampton will also serve a la carte beginning at 6 p.m. on Christmas Eve and 7 p.m. on New Year's Day. The restaurant will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Eve. For more information, call 537-8885.

Fresno (8 Fresno Place, East Hampton, NY 324-8700) will offer a special celebration for New Year's Eve. Two seatings will be offered. The first seating will offer three courses and will be $45 per person and $35 for children. The second seating will offer four courses and will be $75 perperson.

Alison in Bridgehampton will offer a special three-course prix fixe for $54 per person beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, as well as a children's menu for kids under 12 for $20. Alison will offer a special three-course menu for $54 or four courses for $68 starting at 5:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve. There will also be a tapas party starting at 10:30 p.m. for $20.06 with hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. The restaurant will be closed on Christmas and New Year's Day. For reservation or further information call 537-7100. **Mirko's Restaurant** in Water Mill Square will be open Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. To make a reservation call 726-4444.

In Sag Harbor, **Magnolia** will be serving Christmas dinner on Sunday, December 25th from 4 to 9 p.m. for $32 per person. Call 725-0101 for more information. Down the road, **Sen** will be hosting a seven-course dinner on New Year's Eve featuring more than 12 Japanese dishes for $80. The early seating will be at 6 p.m. and the second seating will be at 8 p.m. To make a reservation call 725-1774. New Year's Eve at **Oasis** will be complete with seven-course dinner, dancing, and champagne toast from 7:30 to 9 p.m. for $95 per person. Menu items include chef's amuse, roasted butternut squash soup, strawberry champagne sorbet, pan-seared duck breast, chocolate tart, and petit fours. For more information call 725-7110 or visit.

Venture out to Montauk for a traditional Christmas dinner at **Gurney's Inn.** Menu choices consist of chicken primavera, live lobster, and an award-winning Viennese dessert table with entrée prices ranging from $25.95 to $35.95. Children get a complete dinner for $14.95. For more info, call 668-2345.

On New Year's Eve, **The Patio** in Westhampton Beach will offer dinner from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and 8 to 11 p.m. The first seating consists of a four-course dinner with champagne toast for $55 per person. The later seating features a five-course meal accompanied by dancing and champagne toast with balloons and party favors for $80. Sample menu items includes Bartlett pear salad, vanilla scented "Caesar" Chilean sea bass and bacon wrapped lobster mignon. There will also be live entertainment at 9 p.m. For reservations or more information, call 288-4878.

Many North Fork establishments are also inviting patrons to join them for their last supper of 2005...... South Jamesport's **Bayview Inn & Restaurant** will host New Year's Eve dinner with seatings at 5, 7:30 and 9 p.m. The restaurant is also open Christmas Eve and New Year's Day. Call 722-2659 for further info. In Greenport, **The Fifth Season** will be serving both an a la carte and prix-fixe menu. Call 477-8500 or visit for more information.

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Dining in the Hamptons

Villa Tuscano

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When you begin to mention the staff of a restaurant before you speak of the food, sometimes that's a bad indication. But at Villa Tuscano it is the exact opposite – the quality of the food perfectly reflects the quality of its personnel. Co-owner and head chef Marshall Bonnes is one of the most down-to-earth, friendly people I have ever met on the East End and his handpicked staff (including is lovely wife/co-owner Kari) follows his example.

Last Friday, I had the opportunity to dine at the eight-month-old restaurant on Montauk Highway in Hampton Bays. My friend Lizzie and I were seated at a table in the center of the comfortable, warmly lit dining room. It was a cold night, and getting colder, a night where nothing would have been more comforting than a heaping serving of pasta. It seemed fitting to have a bite to eat at Villa Tuscano.

Our waitress, Nina, was delightful and rather knowledgeable about the dishes on the menu. As she recited the plentiful list of specials, Lizzie and I knew we were in for a treat. Two specials in particular caught our attention. There was an appetizer of Portabello Gorgonzola and a dinner special Roasted Vegetable Ravioli. Based on recommendations from Nina and Marshall, I chose the Clams Marcello as a starter and the Zuppe di Pesce for the main course. Nina jotted down the order and left us to absorb the restaurant over light glasses of Pinot Grigio.

Villa Tuscano

The restaurant was completely renovated by Marshall, Kari, and their partners, Russel and Frank DiStefano, prior to opening last April. It consists of a large main dining room, a smaller room generally reserved for parties, and a good sized bar area. The tile and wood accents work to create a casual ambiance, welcoming, but not overbearing. We were served rustic, freshly toasted bread with sun-dried tomato butter on the side.

The presentation of our appetizers was lovely. Served in-shell, the clams were tender and the creamy white wine sauce had just enough garlic to add flavor but not overtake the taste of the dish. The Portabello Gorgonzola was amazing. The two large grilled mushrooms were served with a layer of melted Gorgonzola cheese on a bed off sautéed broccoli rabe and the whole dish was drizzled with a balsamic reduction. The contrast of the saltiness of the cheese, the sweetness of the balsamic reduction and the bitters in the broccoli rabe worked well to create several layers of flavor.

The house salad was refreshing. The homemade vinaigrette was really quite good, and the dish cleansed the palate for the main course perfectly.

The Zuppe di Pesce should have a warning that says it's more food than any one man can handle. Although usually served over linguini, I opted for penne simply because linguini can get a little messy. The dish consisted of roughly a pound of pasta in a light plum tomato sauce and an entire ocean's worth of seafood; including a lobster tail, jumbo shrimp, scallops, calamari, clams, scungilli, and mussels. As much progress as I thought I had made eating this remarkable dish, I still ended up taking an enormous amount home with me, which I ate the next day. Lizzie's ravioli dish was immense as well. The ravioli were the diameter of softballs and filled with roasted mushrooms, zucchini and asparagus in a pink basil cream sauce. The vegetables had a great smoky taste, and were a textural delight. The basil cream sauce worked rather well with the dish, adding to, but not smothering, the taste as a whole.

Completely full, staring at a hefty take-home tray, we were presented with dessert menus. Homemade desserts are impossible to give up, but when it's Tiramisu and cannoli, it is even more so. The tiramisu was light, yet rich with a good dose of espresso liqueur. The cannolis were made to order, which means the shells were fresh and crisp, unlike some restaurants which have them pre-prepared leading to a soggy shell. The flavor of the cream had a distinct hint of nutmeg, which really added to the sweet dish. To make for an even more amazing dessert, I sipped on an eggnog cappuccino, a seasonal specialty.

The evening was delightful and utterly filling; a perfect cozy winter meal overflowing with warmth, rich food, and friendly service.

Villa Tuscano is open six days a week, closed Mondays until spring, and offers on and off-premises catering. They will be hosting two New Year's Eve seatings. The early seating is $29.95 and the late, lasting through midnight with DJ, dancing and open bar, is $75. For more information please call 631-728-7262.

–Christian McLean

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The arrangement of rooms and furniture at Tugboat's is almost so unique and casual you'd think you were stopping by a buddy's house. A buddy who serves delectable dishes and has a lot of eclectic merchandise such as action figures, comic books, and hot rod magazines. There is a front room bar that leads through a corridor into a dining area. Adjacent to the dining area is a lounge, complete with a big screen television, books, and board games strewn across tables. The walls are littered with mounted deer heads, posters, and seascape paintings of surfers and waves.

I couldn't find a date for this review so I took my father, who in turn acted as the interviewer. We were greeted at the bar by the co-owner Chris, a gentle giant with a heart of gold, and told to find a table to our liking. Chris brought us menus and we proceeded to ask him to bring out what he thought was good. In a wave of service, my father and I were presented with warm, flat, and crisp rolls with butter. Soon afterward a house salad appeared with balsamic vinaigrette dressing. The sweet dressing mixed nicely with the delicious plate of greens. The menu is the message of simplicity, offering tasty choices including shrimp cocktail, Buffalo wings, chicken fingers, and soup. On the other hand, there is a copious amount of main courses to choose among. From classic burgers and grilled chicken sandwiches to a more unique and mysterious recipe, the Spiedies, anything between bread here is a good choice. Spiedies are a delicacy that originates from the strong ethnic lineages of upstate New York, particularly the areas of Binghamton and Ithaca. Spiedies are basically a tender skewer of beef cut, marinated in delicious Italian herbs and spices. You wrap the skewer up with a piece of Italian bread, and pull the meat off the shish kabob-style skewer. Spiedies are a juicy and succulent snack, and are by far the cornerstone of the Tugboats menu.

Photo by Diana Nolan

The co-owner Chris, an upstate New York native and former college wrestler at SUNY-Binghamton, fuses the Spiedies dish with the spectacular food repertoire of award-winning chef and co-owner Scott Kampf's menu. Scott is the recipient of the People's Choice Award from the Star Chef's Convention of 2000. He is also the winner of the "La Confrerie de la Chaines des Rotisseurs Award of Excellence," a distinguished medal of culinary excellence chosen by a secret group of gastronomies (food experts). The power of this accomplishment is only exceeded by its mystery. When asked why he decided to become a chef, Scott replied it was because he couldn't afford to take girls out on dates so he decided to cook for them. When he began receiving compliments, he thought 'why not try this professionally?'

The Spiedies were followed by the Shrimp Scampi, a fresh taste of the ocean mixed with a white wine garlic butter sauce atop a filling bed of linguini. The creamy dish was devoured easily and left us itching for more. The Chicken Marsala followed the scampi. It was a plump, juicy, sweet, and tangy combination with diced mushrooms smothered in a sweet and creamy sauce. The trinity of meats, after consuming fish and poultry, would not be complete without a plump steak. The grilled skirt steak was covered in a pile of caramelized onions, and was surrounded by a sea of fluffy mashed potatoes. The steak was juicy and succulent, marinated to perfection.

Finally, for dessert, which everyone knows there is always room for, I downed the Holy Moses Cheesecake with raspberry swirls. This cheesecake is not thick and compact, but instead creamy and fluffy due to the fact that it is whipped into a lighter texture. This makes it easier to put down after a long and hearty meal, and therefore more mouthwateringly delicious.

Tugboat's North Sea House has the ambiance of a tranquil, local, and comfortable setting where no one feels out of place. They have live music by Aquagirl and Lobster Boy every Friday night, as well as the acoustic melodies of Boscoe during Sunday brunch. You can also lounge on a couch and catch the Sunday NFL lineup. There's really something for every one at Tugboat's. The food is delicious and the company is even better. But in order to see it survive until summer, you must make it your place to go.

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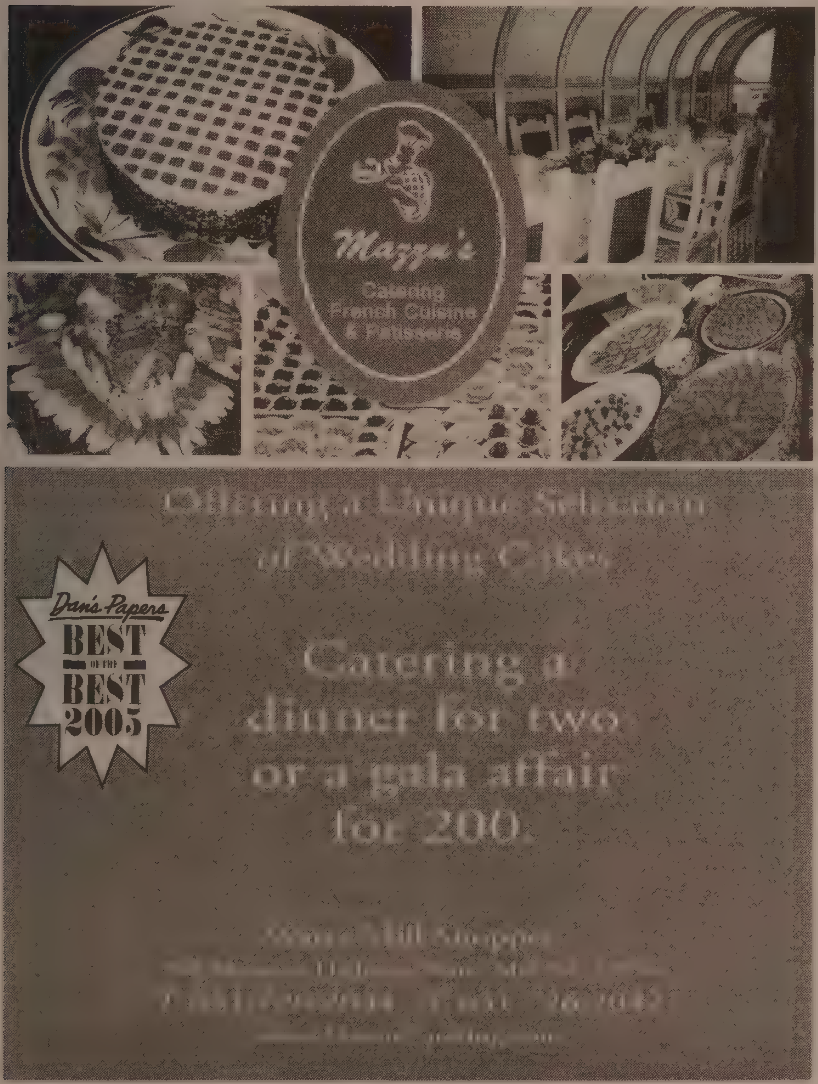
–Breck Archer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Entertainment In Town

review: chita rivera: the dancer's life...by gordin & christiano

Photo by Andrew Eccles

Chita Rivera is a real Broadway icon, a link to the Golden Age of musical theatre, when dance was integral. She is a triple threat singer, dancer and actor who has been a star for nearly 40 years, with a career that spans almost 50. Ms. Rivera has received two Tony Awards for *The Rink* and *Kiss of the Spider Woman,* along with six additional nominations. Mention Chita in Broadway circles and the name will conjure up diverse memories fueled by intense adulation from ardent admirers and loyal fans. Given her inspirational status as a survivor of a time only a few have witnessed, a tribute to her career seems obvious.

From her first entrance the luminous star grabs your attention, jolting the audience into thunderous applause. This ultimate pro never lets go and at 72 (she turns 73 in January) Chita is a captivating presence, who generates more sensuality than dancers less than half her age. Her amazing legs were once considered the quickest in the business. The star is a natural wonder, dancing with 16 pins is her left leg, the result of a 1985 taxi accident, and is a joy to behold.

Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life, directed and choreographed by Graciela Daniele, is essentially a bio/musical starring Chita, a retrospective that chronicles her illustrious career in which the star is supported by 10 dazzling dancers. Chita began as a Broadway gypsy so it seems fitting that her supporting players are dancers, a tribute to the "gypsy" in her soul. The musical is a history lesson celebrating Broadway with Chita as its glittering center.

The story, with a book by Terrence McNally, begins near the end in 2002 with Chita, as narrator, at the Kennedy Center Honors in Washington D.C. (ironically her birthplace as well) where she is about to become the first Hispanic woman to receive our nation's highest honor for artistic achievement along with another icon, the film legend Elizabeth Taylor. Chita is nervously waiting in the wings when she begins a flashback to her early childhood memories in that same city.

She was christened Dolores Conchita Figuero del Rivero, the middle of five children born to a Puerto Rican band musician, Pedro del Rivero, and Katherine, his American wife. She was a hyperactive child which is amusingly recreated with an original song "Dancing on the Kitchen Table," that the Tony Award winning team of Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty created for the show. She was given ballet lessons at 11 in an effort to channel her abundance of energy and at 15 won a scholarship to the George Balanchine's School of American Ballet in New York.

At 17 Chita good naturedly accompanied a friend to a chorus call for the road company of *Call Me Madam* without any intentions of gaining a part, but was cast by Jerome Robbins. The dancer was given a crossover, which Chita said "She would have crawled through glass for," and her career was launched. Ms. Rivera learned much from watching the show's star Elaine Stritch. "I was terrified of her," she recalled, "I still am."

Chita Rivera became a Broadway star in 1957 as Anita in *West Side Story* and won international fame after creating the role in London. With her dancers she recreates the classic Jets-Sharks dance at the gym, one of several timeless numbers showcased in *A Dancer's Life.* There is also Rose from *Bye Bye Birdie* opposite Dick Van Dyke, Velma from *Chicago* with Gwen Verdon, Anna in *The Rink* opposite Liza Minnelli, and the lead in *Kiss of the Spider Woman.*

One of most impressive portions of the show is when Chita pays homage to the choreographers she has worked with and holds in her body. With her dancers, the star demonstrates the trademark styles of all the greats: Jack Cole, Jerome Robbins, Bob Fosse, and Gower Champion. This amazing segment is a brilliant reminder that you are in the presence of a radiant survivor of Broadway's Golden Era, who just happens to be a generous spirit as well.

The evening surrounding Chita is not nearly as wonderful as the star herself, but nonetheless remains pure entertainment, a trip down memory lane presented by a charismatic personality, a living legend who loves being center stage.

Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life opened on Broadway December 11 at the Gerald Schoenfeld Theatre, 236 West 45th Street. For tickets call 212-239-6200 or at the box office.

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Entertainment In The Hamptons

review: a century of christmases

Photo by Jeff Bellante

For their 'Holiday Spectacular' at the Patchogue Theater for the Performing Arts, Gateway Playhouse's Artistic Director Robin Joy Allan chose to use everything from traditional songs and carols blended with multi-media lighting and sound, to chorus girls, live animals, enthusiastic winsome children and a live Nativity to evoke the spirit of Christmas in America throughout the decades, since 1900.

The scene was set with the full company listening to a rendition of the last part of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol.* As we were taken through the years, this fast-moving production also served to remind us of the social evolution of this country. For many in the audience it was a chance to delve back maybe twenty, or thirty, forty, or even fifty-plus years to bring back special memories of times and people now long gone. It allowed us to wonder as we watched the simple, ingenuous Christmases of the past and were able to compare them with the frenetic, materialistically-obsessed Christmas for so many today. We can ask ourselves whether all progress really is progress!

Even for those too young to have experienced them in person, this was a chance to get some idea of life at Christmas in the early part of the twentieth century when Vaudeville ruled, or the '40s when, for many servicemen in the Second World War, performances by the U.S.O. were their only links to home and those they were fighting for – no cell phones and e-mails then. In a lighter vein, the hilarious '60s skit with Kristin Mahoney, as the hippie protester bemoaning the fate of Christmas trees cut down in their prime, and Robin Irwin, as a Mama Cass-like figure, had the audience in hysterics. Robin also showed her versatility and excellent voice in many of the other numbers during the show.

The sets, costumes and characters were realistic and the whole company performed with enthusiasm and skill. Robert Anthony Jones brought a robust personality and voice to match his robust frame. (Was he the guy in the red suit in the finale by any chance?) Jared Bradshaw and Chris Yates displayed a wide range of abilities as they moved through the years and the varied musical styles required. Jessica Wright was another of the principals who showed how to deliver many different types of songs and carols.

Apart from the music, the audience loved both T.J. Howell for his dexterous juggling and his ability to ride unicycles both great and very, very small. They also appreciated the performing dogs in the animal act. It was nice to get a reminder of those vaudeville-type acts that today are rarely seen except on the stages of cruise ships, which have become the new homes of jugglers, magicians and the like.

The Rockettes certainly have set a standard that is hard to emulate, but the long-limbed beautiful girls of the Gateway's chorus line were not only good to look at, but they can also really dance and their ensemble work was crisp and those long legs can really kick high!

Whenever you put children on stage, especially in a Christmas show, the eyes will be on them and there must have been many proud parents and grandparents watching as the cast of children showed talent and poise beyond their years.

Much has been written and talked of recently about the way segments of our society seem intent on trying to take Christmas out of the public arena. This is not the time and place to discuss it further, but it was good to see that Robin and Paul Allan were determined not to dilute the true meaning and significance of Christmas. The Nativity scene that closed the first half of the show was played out with feeling and I wonder how many eyes were moist as one of the child actors spoke the words that tell of how the Shepherds first heard those "Tidings of great joy"– I have to admit that mine were. As '"Silent Night" and "O Holy Night" were sung by the cast and audience, the living pageant of the Magi and animals, including a live camel, processed to the manger site in Bethlehem, the words of Ebenezer Scrooge, "I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year" came back with even increased meaning.

The theater was totally sold out for opening night and tickets for this show, which will run until January 1st are selling fast.

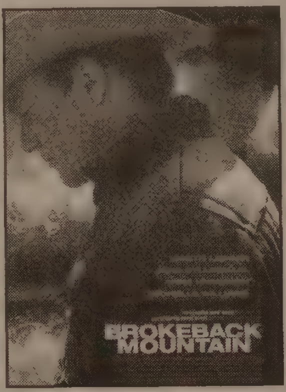
–Roy Bradbrook

Guy de Fraumeni's Hollywood In The Hamptons

Brokeback Mountain

It was easy for the handsome, peace lovin' cowboy, Roy Rogers, to profess his love for Trigger, his gorgeous, faithful steed, but impossible to do the same for his romantic leading lady and off-screen wife, Dale Evans. The classic movie cowhand is a lonesome figure riding the barren plains and is so plain and barren himself as to be devoid of feelings. He can take a punch or a bullet and hardly have it disarrange his glorious hat but sex – never! Hey, *WHOA* there, pard' – along comes a Western that shakes up the arid desert formula of the stoic cowpoke with an intense love story that nettles and pricks at the heart with as many spiny points as a maguey cactus. The film *Brokeback Mountain* will be especially thorny to some as the love affair is that of one cowboy for another. The homophobic may relax a bit – the story is tragic.

Brokeback Mountain is a sad tale but an enriching one. Every puncture of the heart emits a pure red healing unguent to soothe the pangs of stumbled-upon love that is passionately consuming only to be lost without reconciliation. This remarkable turn-about of the conventional Western genre was written by Annie Proulx as a short story published in *The New Yorker* in 1997. It has been enhanced but not overwritten as a screenplay by Larry McMurtry and Diana Ossana, who also produced with James Schamus. Mr. McMurtry's *Lonesome Dove* alone makes him an ideal choice to adapt Ms. Proulx's terse and gnawing narrative that relates the young herders' lustful and balefully sad epic that rides the tangled Wyoming wilds – year upon year to its wistful conclusion. The mountain called Brokeback is a sparse looming presence that juts out of the scrub land as importantly as the act of love consuming the two young cowboys now shepherding sheep there. They are, however, clinging to the vanishing cowboy culture that nurtured them.



It is 1963 and homosexuality barely exists in thought; therefore, that the lovers suddenly embrace one cold night and ravenously have sex that is tenderly affectionate and hungrily rough, surprises the chilled, drunken, lonely horsemen. There wasn't any foreplay – just a natural need and attraction. The men are baffled and cannot comprehend their behavior but eagerly continue to enjoy it. Ennis, as acted by Heath Ledger, and Jack, portrayed by Jake Gyllenhaal, give lovingly anguished performances that light up the darker sides of the film as the young men become pale riders –aging with wives and children and meeting when the time allows. When the two spend the sporadic moments together on fishing trips their physical attraction dominates. Ennis and Jake remain "friends" just as they called each other in the beginning. The revolutionary aspect of this story is their same-sex and sexual manifestations but, it is mostly about love and its endurance. Ennis and Jake's twenty-year agonizing love affair, following the blizzard that ends their first encounter and sputters on like Jack's succinct goodbye, "See you around," which reminds us that forbidden love can be as painful as Ennis' seeing, as a boy, a rancher who's been beaten to death for "living" with a man.

The torment exhibited passes affectionately due to the sensitivity of the director, Ang Lee. A big surprise for me, as I think of him as being too showy and blowy (typical: *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*). Mostly, following the brilliant concept of the story by Ms. Proulx, the motion picture is projected largely by Mr. Ledger whose Ennis miraculously reveals his frustration through his thin skin and lean body. Gyllenhaal's Jack is soft and registers the impossible as acceptable. Nevertheless, sadness oozes from his eyes – it's a sham life. He's gone into the farm equipment business, by way of marrying rodeo star Laureen – another stand out performance by Anne Hathaway. Ennis married a girlfriend Alma – well turned by Michelle Williams. They have two girls and Jack begets a son. Jack tries unsuccessfully to get Ennis to leave with him and buy a ranch. It will never happen in spite of marital rancor and disintegration.

Sadly, it will take more time for that to happen in movies. *Brokeback Mountain* has broken a lot of ground for others to build on. Perhaps soon we'll have a love story like this with a happy ending.

Guy Jean de Fraumeni is the producer/writer/director of award-winning European and American feature films. He has been a judge at major film and TV award competitions, including the Oscars, the Emmys and various film festivals. He is assisted by Sarah Halsey.

Dave Evans' MINI – MOVIE REVIEWS

Fun with Dick and Jane

Jim Carrey and Tea Leoni star in this remake of the 1977 original in which a happy suburban couple turn to robbery to pay the bills. The update of the plot (which includes an Enron-style scandal) is smart and Carrey manages to pull off more acting than gurning, which is never a bad thing, but there's still a sense of going through the motions here.

The Ringer

It seems safer just to give the objective details of the film. Barry W. Blaustein, the screenwriter behind *The Nutty Professor 2: The Klumps*, directs this sporting comedy about two men, one played by *Jackass'* Johnny Knoxville, who decide to rig the Special Olympics by pretending to be contestants. The real Special Olympics have given the film their blessing. The end of the world is surely nigh.

The Family Stone

A family bonding together at Christmastime is classic material and although it's spiked here in that the characters are bonding over their loathing of an interloper, this is predictable fare. That said, the cast is extremely strong (Claire Danes, Diane Keaton, Rachel McAdams and Sarah Jessica Parker, to name just the women) and the plot crack-

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MOVIES

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Schedule for the week of Friday, December 23 to Thursday December 29

Movie Schedules are subject to change Always call to confirm shows and times

UA EAST HAMPTON
(324-0448) +

Munich – Fri–Thurs 11:50, 3:20, 7, 10:30

Brokeback Mountain – Fri–Thurs 1:15, 4:15, 7:30, 10:20

Family Stone – Fri–Thurs 12, 2:25, 5, 7:40, 10:05

Syriana – Fri–Thurs 1:50, 5, 7:50, 10:30

Chronicles of Narnia – Fri–Thurs 11:30 (Friday only), 4:10, 7:15, 10:20 Sat and Thurs 12:45

UA HAMPTON BAYS
(728-8535)

Yours, Mine, and Ours – Wed–Sat 12:15, 2:45, 5:10, 7:20, 9:50

Cheaper by the Dozen 2 – Wed–Sat 11:45, 2, 4:30, 7:25, 9:55

King Kong – Wed–Sat 11:30, 3:30, 7:30

Fun With Dick and Jane – Wed–Sat 12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35, 10:05

Chronicles of Narnia – Wed–Sat 1, 4:10, 7:20, 10:30

SAG HARBOR CINEMA
(725-0010)+

Fighting Tommy Riley – Sat, Sun 2

Ballets Russes – Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon, Thur 4

The Squid and the Whale – Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon, Thurs 6:15

Pride and Prejudice – Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon, Thurs 7:45

Closed Wednesday

UA SOUTHAMPTON
(287-2774) +

Chronicles of Narnia – Fri and Sat 12, 3:45, 7, 10 Sun-Thurs 12, 3:45, 7, 10

The Producers – Fri and Sat 11:45, 2, 4:15, 7:20, 9:50 Sun-Thurs 12:15, 4, 7:10, 10:10

King Kong – Fri and Sat 11:30, 3:30, 7:45 Sun-Thurs 11:30, 3:30, 7:45

The Ringer – Fri and Sat 12:15, 4, 7:10, 10:10 Sun-Thurs 11:45, 2, 4:15, 7:20, 9:50

HAMPTON ARTS CINEMA
(288-2600)

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VILLAGE CINEMA GREENPORT
(477-8600)

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Arts & Galleries

ART COMMENTARY *With Marion Wolberg Weiss*

ANN CHWATSKY AT NYU: WHERE EXTERIORS AND INTERIORS MEET

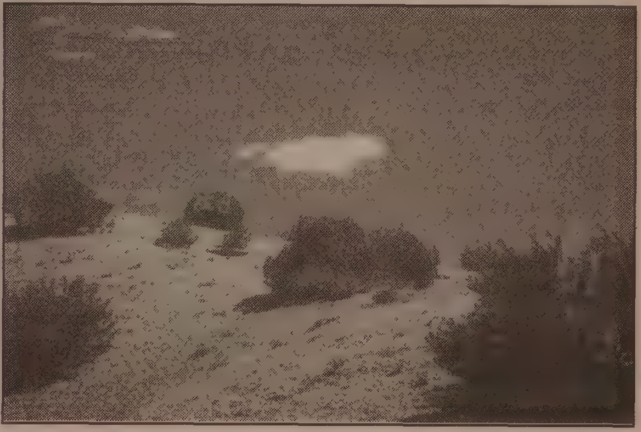
Part II

Last week's "Art Commentary" determined how works by April Gornik could not only extend space beyond the canvas but could also mirror a real setting seen from the gallery window.

Ann Chwatsky's photographs at NYU's Wagner Center also exert a powerful relationship between her pieces and the outside world. There are other obvious similarities. Both artists use nature/landscapes to create a subtle narrative. Most ironic, however, is the juxtaposition of their works with a particular Manhattan milieu.

Scene outside gallery

There are differences, too. For instance, a cloudscape by Ms. Gornik recreates the minimal, horizontal lines of a rooftop seen from nearby window. Ms. Chwatsky's landscapes are situated near a window as well, albeit a much larger one. The exterior environment is a busy one, however, full of visual overload: billboards and text on multiple levels, varied shapes, crisscrossing lines and diverse materials competing for attention.



Photos by MW Weiss

Work by Chwatsky

Ms. Chwatsky's works inside the building sustain an oasis of serenity by comparison, where the photographs' Southwest settings confront Chinatown and Little Italy on the street below. Where interior images of cheerful blue skies, graceful floating clouds and indigenous plant life meet the exterior images of disconcertion on one hand and energy on the other.

While such visual contradictions were obviously not planned, our perception of Ms. Chwatsky's photographs begin to change: the oppositions between her work and the outside world take on different dynamics the more we look at the photographs. Where we noticed unperturbed life in the pictures, we see unforseen forces at work which render the landscape isolating and lifeless. The calm settings are replaced with a subtle chaos. Tree branches appear scrawny; so does the sagebrush.

It's a perception that Ms. Chwatsky herself intended, but it's one that is made even more potent by what exists outside the gallery space.

Ms. Chwatsky's exhibit, "The Sky Is Falling, " will be on view until Jan. 27 at the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service (295 Lafayette Street in the Puck Bldg., 2nd. floor) Call 212-992-8717.

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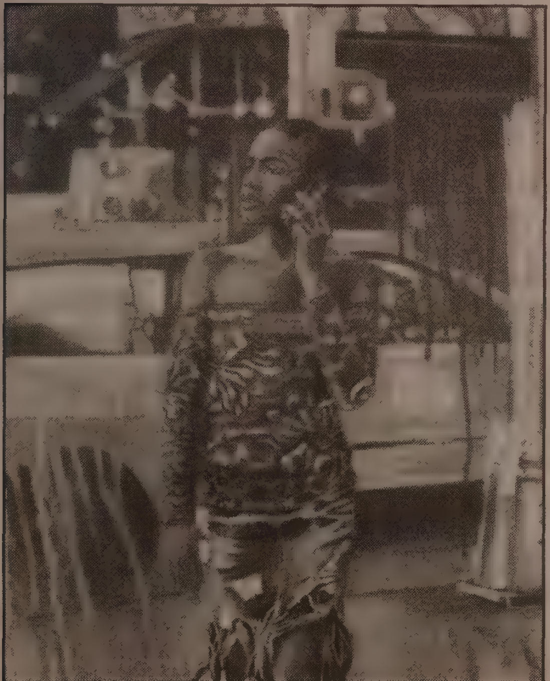
ARLENE BUJESE GALLERY – "Dealer's Choice" runs through February 18. Located at 66 Newtown Lane in East Hampton. Call 324-2823.

ARTISAN GALLERY – Showing artists Neil Slaughter and Margery Gosnell Qua. Located at 15 Ponquogue Avenue in Hampton Bays. Call 728-8040.



By Daria Deshuk, Jade Nectar Gallery

BATISTE SALON – Photographer Brandon Merkel on display. Located at 75 Main St. in Sag Harbor. Call 631-725-9494.

BIRNAM WOOD GALLERIES – Now showing the Second Annual Contemporary Lincoln Center Prints exhibit. Located at 52 Park Place in East Hampton. Call 324-6010.

BUTLER'S FINE ART GALLERY – Painting and prints by Abstract Expressionist Arnold Hoffman Jr on display. Open Thursday-Monday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.Located at 50 Park Place, East Hampton. Call 267-0193.

CANIO'S BOOKS – "Through the Season at Quail Hill," photographs by Kathryn Szoka through December. Call 725-4926. Located at 290 Main Street, Sag Harbor

BOCA LUPO ART GALLERY – Walter Krajicek's work on display. Located at 552 West Lake Drive in Montauk.

CHRYSALIS GALLERY – Now showing Yvonne Dagger, Christine Gordon, Joyce Bennet Klein, Edwina Halsey and more through Decemberr 22. Located at 2 Main Street in Southampton. Call 287-1883.

✓ **PICK OF THE WEEK**

SOLAR – "Threads" runs through January 14. Located at 44 Davids Lane in East Hampton. Call 907-8422.

COMMUNICATION ARTS CENTER – Lena Yaremenko's first exhibit in the United States on display. Located at 26 Goodfriend Drive in East Hampton. Call 324-5550.

CRAZY MONKEY GALLERY – "Small Works" on runs through January 1. Located at 136 Main Street in Amagansett. Call 267-3627.

CREATIVE MERGE –Located at 64 Jobs Lane, Southampton. Call 287-1143.

THE DEPOT GALLERY – Located at the Montauk Arts Community Center at the junction of Edgemere and Flamingo Roads. Call 668-1283.

THE DRAWING ROOM – "Affinities: A Salon Installation of Contemporary and Historical Works" runs through January 8. Rex Lau:RecentPaintings runs January 13 – March 12, 2006. Reception Saturday, January 14, 4-6 Located in East Hampton at 16R Newtown Lane. Hours are Thursday – Monday, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Call 324-5016.

EAST END BOOKS – Annual Gallery Artist Show featuring Joyce Tennyson, Stephen Huneck, and Lura Brookins runs through January 25. Located at 53 The Circle in East Hampton. Call 324-8680.

FERREGUT TOWER GALLERY – Now showing "Celebrations from Around the World" showcasing Antonio Ciconni, Nancy Clarks, Frank Wimberly, Kathleen Bifocal and Sheridan Sansegundo and Dallas Ernst through January 30. Located at 3 South Main Street in Southampton. Open Friday – Sunday from 1–6 p.m. and by appointment. Call 287-0798.

GALLERY MERZ – Winter exhibition: "Art From Detritus" on display at 95 Main Street, Sag Harbor. Call 725-2803.

GRENNING GALLERY – "Gems of the Grenning Gallery" showing through December 23. Also introducing James D Albison and Sculptor Gwen Marcus. Located at 90 Main Street, Sag Harbor. Call 725-8469.

GUILD HALL – The Museum now showing two one person exhibitions showcasing the work of Judith Leiber and Linda Alpern through January. Located on Main Street in East Hampton. Call 324-0806.

HAMILTON AGUIAR FINE ART – Now showing "Signs of Nature" featuring Hamilton Aguiar, Thales Pereira, Darlene Charneco, Jose Pacheco Silva, Leonor Mendoza and Lucia Pizzani. Hours are Thursday-Mondays, 11 a.m – 6 p.m. Located at 848 North Sea Rd in Southampton. Call 287-9555.

HAMPTON ROAD GALLERY – Now showing "Diane Tuft," a survey curated by Graham Leader that runs through December 27. Gallery hours are

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Fri.-Mon. 11-5 p.m. Call 204-9704. 36 Hampton Road in Southampton.

HAYGROUND GALLERIES – Featuring works by artists Leroy Neiman, Thomas McKnight, Erte and many others. Located at 103 Hayground Road at Route 27 in Water Mill. Call 725-7408.

HAMPTON BAYS PUBLIC LIBRARY – Tom Casper's illustrations on display through December. 52 Poquogue Avenue in Hampton Bays in the Helen Guild Room.

INTERNATIONAL NATIVITY EXHIBIT – St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Amagansett from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m.

JADE NECTAR GALLERY EAST – Artist Daria Deshuk "Street Scene" selected works will be exhibited through January 8. Located at 77 Job's Lane, Southampton. Call 283 6308

MADELLE HEGELER SEMERJIAN GALLERY – Located in the lower level of the Rogers Memorial Library in Southampton at 91 Coopers Farm Road. Call 283-0774, ext. 515.

MARK BORGHI FINE ART – Showing 19th and 20th century art. Hours are 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. daily. Located at 2462 Main St. in Bridgehampton. Call 537-7245.

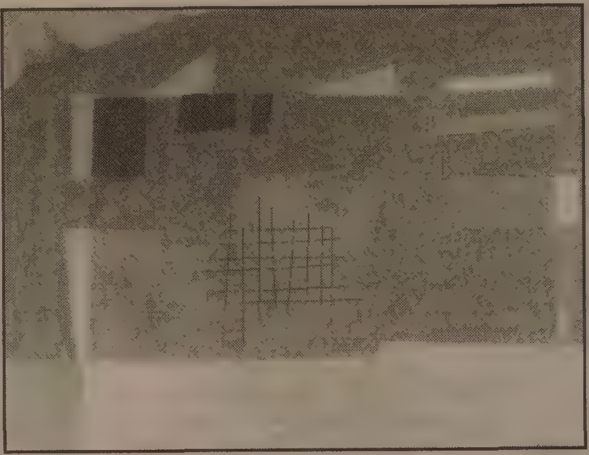
MICHAEL PEREZ GALLERY – Open Tues – Sat 11 a.m. –6 p.m. and Sun. 12 – 5 p.m. Located at 49 Jobs Lane, Southampton. Call 516-532-3040.

PAMELA WILLIAMS GALLERY – Located at 167 Main St. in Amagansett. Call 267-7817.

PARASKEVAS GALLERY – Displaying illustrations from his mother's children's books including a new Cartoon Network animated series. Located at 83 Main St., Westhampton Beach. Call 288-3812.

PARRISH ART MUSEUM – "Finders' Keepers: The Obsessions of Collectors" now on view through December. Located at 25 Jobs Lane in Southampton. Call 283-2118.

PIERRE'S – Ted Asnis on display through January at Pierre's Restaurant, 2468 Main Street in Bridgehampton. Call 537-5110.



By Simeon Braguin at Spannierman Gallery

QUOGUE LIBRARY ART GALLERY – Will hold the first art contest for high school students during the month of December, exhibiting 30 works in a variety of media. Call the library at 653-4224. Located at 90 Quogue St. in Quogue.

RVS FINE ART – Announces the opening of the Holiday Exhibition, featuring paintings from gallery artists Fabrice Dupre, Jeff Muhs and Manuele Vonthron. The show runs through January. Located at 20 Jobs Lane, Southampton. Call 631-283-8546

SARA NIGHTINGALE GALLERY – Located at 688 Montauk Hwy in Water Mill. Call 726-0076 or visit saranightingale.com.

SILAS MARDER GALLERY – A show featuring the works of Lola Schnabel, John Rist, Tin Ojeda and Angelbert Meytoyer on display. Gallery hours are 12-5 p.m Wed.-Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Call 702-2306.

SOLAR – "Threads" runs through January 14. Located at 44 Davids Lane in East Hampton. Call 907-8422.

SOLOMON CONTEMPORARY – "Donald Sultan:Smoke..........." runs through December. 126 Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 267-0828.

SOUTHAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY – "December Past & Present" on view through January 9. Located at 17 Meeting House Lane in Southampton. Call 283-2494.

SPANIERMAN GALLERY – Simeon Braguin's "Quietly Bold: Essex Harbor Series, 1970-96" on display through January 16. Located at 68 Newtown Lane (building in rear) in East Hampton. Call 329-9630.

TAMAN BATU GALLERY – Featuring the stone works of Asian Master Carvers, the most incredibly comprehensive collection of lava stones and teak items this side of the equator. Located on Montauk Highway, Southampton. Call 516-527-8274 or visitwww.tamanbatu.com.

TULLA BOOTH GALLERY –"Gallery Favorites: Holiday Photography Exhibit" runs through January 15. Located on Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-3100.

UBS FOYER GALLERY – Local Bridgehampton artist Christine Chew Smith on display at UBS Financial Services. Inc. foyer Gallery through January 12. Located at 8 Main Street in Southampton. Call 537-3310.

VERED GALLERY – Located at 68 Park Place Passage in East Hampton. Call 324-3303. Visit www.veredart.com.

VIGNOLI GALLERY – Now showing paintings by Brazilian artist Fernando Vignoli. Located at 127 Main St. in Sag Harbor. Call 725-6400.

WINTER TREE GALLERY – Roxie Munro's "New York Light" runs through January 4, 2006. Also showing works of Eric Denver, Barbara Hadden and Cuca Romley. Open dail 12-7 p.m. (Closed Tuesday). Located at 125 Main Street in Sag Harbor. Call 725-0097.

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Mini

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les along at a respectable pace.

Syriana

After the sumptuous pleasure of *Good Night and Good Luck*, it's hard to feel quite as excited for this new George Clooney vehicle. Taking a harsh and piercing glance at the state of the oil industry, this tense drama from the screenwriter of *Traffic* suffers only under the weight of its own seriousness. Worthy and well put together, just not a particularly enjoyable experience.

King Kong

Bigger than *Harry Potter* and surely mean enough to crush the wretched beasts of *Narnia*, Peter Jackson's remake of the classic lumbers onto the Christmas market. Boasting stunning landscapes and perhaps unnecessarily strong actors, nothing can compete with the spectacle of Kong himself, mapped on the body movements of the excellent Andy Serkis (Golem in *The Lord of the Rings*).

Aeon Flux

The film that nearly killed Charlize Theron finally makes it to the movie theater and seems to have been well worth the risk. Backed by a surprisingly highbrow cast (Sophie Okonedo, Pete Postlethwaite and Frances McDormand are the tip of the iceberg here), Theron stars as the title character, an undercover operative, 400 years from now. Breathtaking science fiction.

The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

The fantasy bandwagon of *Lord of the Rings* and *Harry Potter* was clearly too tempting for those holding the rights to C.S. Lewis' humorless children's saga. While the sets are captivating, the plot is didactic and the action surprisingly dull. The ever-great Tilda Swinton does a fantastic turn as the White Witch but she alone can't inject life into this sad flop.

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

How long can this keep going on? As the young stars of the series struggle to hide their growth with longer hair and bigger capes it is hard to wonder how the same actors will be shoehorned into their gowns when J.K. Rowling's saga finally rolls to an end. *Four Weddings and a Funeral* director Mike Newell takes over here and it is the usual fun, backed by a phenomenal cast of British character actors.

Cheaper by the Dozen 2

There is absolutely no good reason why this film exists. A sequel to the 2003 remake, it follows the enormous Baker family, headed by Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt, and the hilarious hijinks that inevitably occur with eight children. Here they are pitted against another huge family while on vacation. Carmen Electra guest-stars, in case you needed another reason not to attend.

Memoirs of a Geisha

The director of *Chicago*, Rob Marshall, returns here with an adaptation of Arthur Golden's 1997 bestseller. It is an odd film, largely due to the casting of mostly Chinese actresses as the Japanese geishas and there will be cries left, right and center about the lack of authenticity. That said, the film remains a pretty and engaging confectionery, more fantasy than fact, but perhaps no worse off for that.

Brokeback Mountain

It swept the festivals and has been so talked about that even in deepest, darkest Wyoming, where the film is set, everyone has heard of the 'gay cowboy movie.' It is an enormous amount of controversy for a film that is so solidly and silently strong. Ang Lee is back on form after the disastrous *Hulk* and the two leads, Jake Gyllenhaal and Heath Ledger, are equally on form.

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Dan's HOME

A Breath of Fresh Air

If you are like me, you suffer from all kinds of allergies that drive your face nuts. It is kind of a depressing thought when you think about how little, teeny-tiny particles in the air that you inhale and are allergic to can cause your eyes, nose and throat to feel like you are dying of the plague.

There is an essential weapon in your arsenal of antihistamines and decongestants, however, and that weapon is a good quality air filter. All too often these devices are overlooked, but the benefits to your health (and happiness even) are truly great. Not all air filters work the same, however. These machines have a couple of technologies that rid the air of irritants in your home and some work better than others. But which one is the best? Which one really works? Well, we found out.

I will study and research just about anything with meticulous passion when it comes to ridding myself of allergies. I have probably taken just about every medication for allergies, keeping a journal of which ones work the best and last the longest. However, it only dawned on me last month that an air filter in my home could make a world of difference with allergies. After all, they rid the air of the things that cause you to get a runny nose, itchy eyes and a scratchy throat.

Probably the most well-known of all air filters is the Ionic Breeze from the Sharper Image. This device boasts silent air filtration technology that rids the room of just about every irritant known to man. I recently walked into a room that had an Ionic Breeze and I found that the air was much easier to breath and even smelled better. The Ionic Breeze is also really cool and hip looking. The machine is this tall, sleek, thin tower that has these two long glowing blue rods that run down the center of it. These rods give off negatively charged ions that attract dust and irritant particles. The particles then get trapped onto negatively charged foil rods and the clean air gets blown out using a very weak fan. It is very futuristic looking if you are going for a modern look. My buddy was talking about his new air filter like he had just started a whole new life. "This thing lets me sleep at night and in the morning I am clear and fresh. It's a great machine."

I believed him. After all, why would he lie? But my quest for the best air filter should not end just because I saw a couple of television advertisements and my friend has one. Some Internet research was in order. You would be surprised to know that the Ionic Breeze is not all it is cracked up to be.

According to several reports, including an extensive review in *Consumer Reports*, the Ionic Breeze gives off a relatively high amount of ozone. Ozone is not a healthy thing. It can cause upper respiratory problems, cause permanent lung damage, damage your sense of smell, make you more susceptible to allergies, and worsen asthma. The good smell that comes from the machine is the ozone, which tends to smell fresh. Needless to say, this was not good news for the Ionic Breeze and I no longer wanted to get one, even if my friend swears by it. Recently, a new Ionic Breeze has come out that has a special filter that decreases the amount of ozone that it gives off. However, it still gives off ozone and *Consumer Reports* has not tested this one yet.

So if an ozone-producing device makes you nervous, you probably shouldn't go for the Ionic Breeze or an air filter that uses similar technology. But don't worry, there are other air filters out there that work just as well, if not better. Although all air filters give off some amounts of ozone, there is one technology that is far below FDA standards.

The consensus based on scientific studies of air filters is that a HEPA filtration system is the best technology to use in a home. The letters in HEPA stand for High Efficiency Particulate Arrestance. The technology was developed during World War II to protect scientists working with radioactive materials. Basically the technology uses a carbon filter that draws air into it and gets the particles trapped onto a plate as the new air gets pushed out. U.S. Government agencies and hospitals all use HEPA filters.

These filtration machines range from about $400 to over $1000. Some good brands to check out for a HEPA filter are Friedrich, Hamilton, Kenmore, IQAir, Blueair, Austin Air, and Allerair. These brands use true HEPA technologies with a powerful fan that can clean the air in a room effectively and safely. HEPA technology with a strong fan are the major factors you should search for when purchasing an air filter.

– David Lion Rattiner

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Holiday Poinsettias

This is the time of December when people scurry to purchase poinsettias – the flowers that evoke the Holiday season. Poinsettias have been prized throughout the world as a Holiday symbol. No other flower makes such a brilliant display!

The poinsettia is indigenous to warmer climates and grows freely in South Florida, the Caribbean, and Latin America. Indeed, a recent trip to Mexico showed poinsettias of larger than 20-feet tall in bloom. In the Northeast, poinsettias are generally discarded after the holidays because of its specific requirements for re-blooming, but can be brought into bloom if some strict rules are followed.

Poinsettias are part of the spurge family of plants that includes some common ornamentals like the crown-of-thorns, castor bean, and croton. Its technical name is *Euphorbia pulcherrima.* The plant was cultivated by the Mexican Aztecs long before Europeans visited this Hemisphere. Aztecs used the bracts for a reddish-purple dye and the stem latex to counteract fever. The plant was called "Noche Buenas," meaning "night beauties." Poinsettias were first introduced to the United States in the mid 1920s by its first ambassador to Mexico: Joel Roberts Poinsett – hence the current name.

Poinsettia flowers are unusual in that the true flowers are actually the small, green buttons at the center. These are inconspicuous. The beautiful colored leaves surrounding the flowers are not the flower. They are modified petal-like leaves called bracts. These bracts are formed below each flower.

When purchasing a poinsettia, select plants with green leaves almost to the soil line. Older plants usually have excessive leaf drop caused by fluctuating temperatures, gas fumes, and soil and pest issues. The colored bracts should be large and extend somewhat over the lower green foliage. Flower buttons should be tight and green. If there is much yellow, it means the plant is producing pollen, and most of its useful display life will be passed.

While the most popular poinsettia color continues to be red, there are also shades of white, pink, salmon, orange, and color combinations available. Pure white is also available.

Poinsettias have a display life of about three months, when properly cared for. They require temperatures in the range of 60-70 degrees, and the maintenance of moderately moist soil. They thrive in indirect, natural daylight for at least six hours a day. Direct sunlight, which tends to fade the bracts, should be avoided. To prolong the color, keep plants out of cold drafts and away from excessive heat. Remove damaged or diseased leaves.

Poinsettias should be checked daily for soil moisture and watered thoroughly whenever the soil is dry to the touch. Do not allow a plant to sit in standing water. To promote new growth indoors after the holidays, a balanced all-purpose plant fertilizer can be applied once a month.

To "reflower" a poinsettia, a few strict rules must be followed. After the plant has bloomed, cut off the bracts and part of the stem. Leave three or four leaves on each stem. In late spring, repot the plant to the next-larger size pot. Use a well-drained potting medium. A blend of peat moss, compost, and vermiculite works well. Mix in one-half teaspoon of a super-phosphate fertilizer to each quart of mix prepared.

Place the plant in an area where it will receive indirect, but high-intensity light, and prune the growth at about six-week intervals to keep the plant shaped. Poinsettias respond well to pruning because they are naturally woody and can be trained easily.

Move the plant outside to a partly shaded area once the temperatures are consistently above 55 degrees. Prune for the last time in the late August, and move the plant indoors once night temperatures are cooler

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Just Quit

I vow every New Year's to give up smoking……And it never happens. We all know it is not the best addiction in the world for us, but we continue to puff, puff, and puff. This year, I am entirely committed to stop puffing and that will help me to stop my huffing when I exercise……I did a little research on the matter and found that I am not alone……

Millions of smokers are fed up and tired of smoking and commit themselves to stop smoking at the start of each new year. Unfortunately, the majority either doesn't follow through or fail to quit properly, relapse and pick up the habit again due to lack of preparation and proper support. Quitting smoking is a process and there is no "silver bullet" that can cure a smoking habit overnight. But the good news is that thousands of smokers give up smoking each day by using modern cessation methods. Smoke Free Society offers plans and services that help smokers quit smoking in just seventeen days without the use of any substance or drug. This self-help process is based on its three-step principle of preparation, quitting and support, helping smokers to correctly prepare and successfully quit.

In 2005, quitting smoking was the number one New Year's resolution in America. Unfortunately one out of four, or nearly 50 million, Americans still smoke and need help to quit. According to the Office of the U.S. Surgeon General, "Stopping smoking represents the single most important step that smokers can take to enhance the length and quality of their lives."

An immediate benefit of quitting is saving money. An average smoker spends over $1,500 a year on their cigarettes alone, and that doesn't include all other related costs. A Duke University study puts the true cost of lifetime smoking at $40-a-pack money that could be used to provide food, education, healthcare and wellbeing for their family.

My son Joe and my daughter-in-law Janie decided about five years ago to quit their three-packs-a-day (between them) habit and did a little math. The cost of their smokes added up to a car payment for a brand new Pathfinder……Guess what they're driving. I am so proud of both of them.

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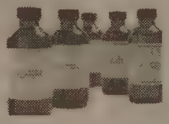

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Call in Sick - For Your Health

During the holidays, chaos and relaxation take to the floor to share an unlikely dance. The joy of the season turns into anxiety when you have to buy, buy, buy and you have to visit, visit, visit. And suddenly, sometimes stressfully, you have to take all your vacation days at once!

Hold on. Back up. Vacation days should never be an obligation, and they should never be stressful. The whole reason that vacation days are necessary is that you would burn out without them. They are not indulgent; vacation time is essential. If you are one of the many people worried about taking your vacation days, I implore you to worry no more. The last thing you need is to stress about how you are going to relax.

The end of December is known by teachers across the country to be the worst time in terms of students' behavior. Why? Because they are bouncing off the walls, itching for their freedom. They are sick of waking up and sitting at the same desk every day. They are tired of Susie raising her hand AGAIN, of Bobby making farting jokes AGAIN.

It is no different with adults, those of us whose summers blend into autumns within the confines of the same four walls. We are not built to exist solely for work. When a routine becomes too fixed, we get bored. So take advantage of those vacation days you've been accruing. A little time to yourself will make you more effective when you are on the job, and it's a great way to pursue things that you are just too exhausted for when you're working: a winter stroll, a good book, a wild night.

According to doctors at the University of Texas, "vacation is essential to mental health and creativity." Dr. Ann Matt Maudrey goes on to say that "taking time off allows you to empty your mind from your normal routine, so you can make room for other things. Just like a battery, your brain needs to recharge."

The United States is one of the only countries where vacation time isn't mandatory. Even the Japanese, to which we always attribute the "workhorse" rap, work an average of 100 hours less per year than we do. In China, the work force gets three weeks of paid vacation leave, and Europeans average six. Americans, by contrast, are now averaging three or four days. That is not even a week off! And I would not put my money on the argument that Americans just love their jobs so much that they can't tear themselves away from them. We simply have this complex that makes us believe we have to be working, producing, contributing at all times. The truth of the matter, however, is that we would be producing more effectively if we were able to recharge our batteries.

For many who do cash in on their vacation time, they return more exhausted than they were when they left. It's been dubbed "vacation deficit disorder," and basically, Americans who wait until this time of year to use their sacred vacation days go absolutely nuts with them. Five days of freedom! Quick, strap my face to a beer funnel! I will visit fifteen of my closest friends, hopping buses and trains across the eastern seaboard! I am so happy to be free!

But what freedom do you possess when you overextend yourself so much that before you know it, you are calling in sick the Monday after your week off, and the whole bloody vacation is a complete blur? – When New Year's Eve added up to some embarrassing pictures and New Year's Day you were relegated to the couch… It doesn't have to be that way!

Take time for yourself. During your vacation, allot hours to just Be. Clean your closet. Watch a sappy movie. Play with your dog. Indulge yourself in solitude once in a while. Check in with yourself. Relax.

I am the queen of keeping in touch, and I love my friends and family dearly. But the time you take for yourself is going to make the visits you have much more memorable. It will recharge you so when you get back to work, you feel like your vacation grounded and rejuvenated you. For your own health and well-being, take some time off over the holidays, and be sure not to auction that time off to the highest bidders. Be sure to allot some of that time just for you.

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How to Avoid Broken Back Mountain

While swooshing down the side of a mountain at eighty miles an hour the first thing on your mind may not be your eyes, but it should be. As the National Ski Safety Initiative so wryly puts it, "Skiing and snowboarding are a lot more fun when you can see." Another factor to consider is that when you can see where you're going you are less likely to be bouncing off trees like Lenny Dykstra behind the wheel on New Year's Eve.

Some of the more obvious safety concerns relating to goggles concern the effects of snow and ice particles on your cornea. You are in a crouch skimming along at a good clip – forty-five or fifty miles an hour – you've found a pristine, unsullied run, and first tracks fill your heart with gladness. Of course, you sound like the sort of skier who knows what you're doing, you have goggles that fit snugly over your face and the fresh powder washes over you like cleansing breaths. You've earned the right to take this slope's virginity, trudged up the snowy peak and dropped your butt into the lift as soon as the mountain opened, all in anticipation of this run. But your preparations started much earlier than six a.m. that morning. They started even before you chose the right goggles, ones that fit snugly, won't come loose under the rigors of steep descents, or bumpy terrain.

And you are equipped, if, later in the day, when the mountain becomes crowded, you elect to go off-piste (kids be careful how you say that; it's "p-ee-ste.") Off-piste, or in the backcountry, your eyes are prey to even more dangers, such as twigs that might hit you in the face as you descend through the trees. Under these conditions it is even more vital that the goggles you have on are sturdy and fit properly. A well-placed whack from a twig can dislodge a shoddy lens.

There is always the more long-term damage that not wearing proper goggles can do. The combination of high altitude and the reflection of the snow causes sunrays to hit you much harder during skiing or snowboarding than during normal exposure to the sun. UV rays can damage your eyes and cause a phenomenon known as snow blindness. Studies show that repeated exposure to UV light can cause such nasty occurrences as cancer of the eyelids. More common is the development of cataracts, a clouding of the lens, which can occur over several years of repeated exposure. According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology, UV exposure also contributes to macular degeneration. Macular degeneration causes damage to the central part of the retina, called the macula, and is one of the leading causes of irreversible vision loss. In layman's terms, "Eyes no work."

All this is probably enough to make you go live with mole people, but there is a better solution. Carefully choose goggles that block at least ninety-five percent of UV radiation, and you can ski all day long with nothing to fear. The other option is to practice night skiing, which is its own pleasure.

The choice of lens color can be somewhat overwhelming for the uninitiated. Different light conditions demand different lenses. Black or Polarized lenses reduce glare without distorting colors. They are probably the best all-purpose lenses, but towards the end of the day may be too dark. Green or silver lenses enhance contrast making them best for brighter conditions. Yellow, amber and gold lenses filter out blue light and bring out shadows and work especially well in the low to moderate light of cloudy days. Purple or rose lenses bring out shadows and contours and are a low-light option designed for more rigorous terrain. Clear lenses, it almost goes without saying, are appropriate for dark conditions such as very low-light or nighttime.

Fogging is a constant problem with goggles on the slopes. Three things help prevent fogging: multiple lenses, anti-fogging treated lenses, and vents. Goggles with multiple lenses do not fog as fast as goggles with single lenses, and in general it is always better to buy goggles with multiple lenses. Vents reduce fogging and provide fresh air for your eyes. The bigger the holes the better the venting; however, bigger holes are colder. You're going to have to ask yourself, "Is it better to be cold or blind?" I think you know the answer.

–John Capone

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Holiday For Him

With the proliferation of all kinds of electronic gadgetry on the market this holiday season, it's tempting to want to buy the latest and greatest incarnation of digital toy for the favorite man in your life. I love electronic gizmos, and I know that many guys like this stuff too. You probably already have more than one request for an iPod or some other electronic-related item on your gift list. But let's not forget that men, just like women, like to look and feel good, and there are some really great gift ideas out there that will appeal to the fashion sense in men. Here are a few items you may want to consider.

Watches are always a popular gift idea for a man. The Fossil Company makes several models of trendy, fashionable watches that should appeal to almost any man's taste. I own one myself, and I think they are just great. The following is a list of some models by this manufacturer that will be sure to put a smile on your man's face.

The Po Winston Silver Metal Dress Watch resembles a chunky piece of jewelry and looks terrific with any formal wear. It features a brushed and shiny silver case and bracelet. It also has a white silver dial with mother-of-pearl center and a date window at the six-hour marker.

For casual wear, the Brown Degrade Dial Casual Leather Watch features a brown braided leather strap and brown degrade dial with a handsome square face. This watch also features a three-hand quartz movement, a date function on the dial, and a stainless steel case with a shabby silver finish

A sports watch with modern styling, the Cuda Gunmetal Metal Chronograph Watch is a truly attractive piece of jewelry. It has a square face with a textured gunmetal dial – very masculine-looking. The stainless steel case and bracelet are polished and the watch is water resistant to 100 meters.

Like jeans, polos have become a staple in the American wardrobe and there are many different styles to choose from. Here are a few that I recommend.

In my opinion, Lacoste polos are truly superb. Only the world's strongest and most flexible cottons are chosen and used in these shirts. The polos go through rigorous testing, and each has its own dyeing tank. The dying process can take up to 13 hours in order to eliminate any color fading, so each shirt you get has a rich, vibrant color.

Penguin polos are classic, cut for comfort and reasonably priced. These polos are made with a light cotton blend of 60% cotton and 40% polyester. The cut is slim with a three-button placket and traditional collar-banded sleeves and shirttail slits. Very retro.

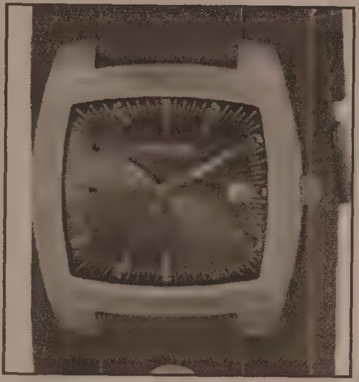
Tommy Hilfiger polos are offered in a cool cotton pique weave and a contrast color placket. They have short sleeves with knit cuffs and a shirt collar with double button closure on the neckline. I purchased several of these myself this year and find them extremely comfortable.

I know that some people consider giving a scarf as a gift a bit uninspired, but if it's unique and/or luxurious, I can guarantee you that it will definitely be appreciated and worn. I like to keep my neck warm in windy, cold weather, and the softer the fabric, the more likely it is to be used.

The Basile Extra-Soft Solid Cashmere Long Scarf is must for the cold weather. It is an incredibly soft, long scarf made with luxurious cashmere. It is offered in several fabulous colors, fringed at the ends, and made in Italy.

I was really impressed by the variety of scarf colors offered by Renato Balestra. Their Striped Ombre Wool Fringed Long Scarf is made of extra-soft lamb's wool and feels great against the skin. It's also made in Italy and comes with a signature gift box.

It should come as no surprise that fragrance isn't just for gals; guys like to smell good too. And cologne is a gift that is always in style. I'd like to offer a few suggestions for colognes that I think many men would appreciate.



Curve for Men: Spice scent with lavender, clove, and bergamot. Obsession for Men: contains amber, vanilla, orange blossom, and sandalwood. Cool Water Deep: the fragrance is a woody aromatic. Sensual, masculine and fresh. Eternity for Men: lavender, jasmine and amber, blended with notes of rosewood, vetiver, and sandalwood. This is a wonderful cologne, and one of my personal favorites.

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Real Estates

by Diane Strecker

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Out on the East End we are fond of naming our estates, mansions and compounds. They immediately sound more prestigious when properties are named as opposed to just addressed. **They become so well known; that in the right circles you only need to say the estate name to an invited guest in order to know exactly where they are headed.** Many of these well known estates are sometimes rented just for one affair such as a wedding or even a celebrity birthday party. Or more appropriately this season, a Holiday or New Year's party. **Parties that take place in Hamptons mansions often host more than 1,000 guests and offer free flowing elaborate libations and unlimited local fare, as well as the use of the property's numerous luxury amenities.** And when it comes to amenities, few can pack a home with them the way a Hamptons home owner can. **Goose Creek in Wainscott** is one such estate. This Georgica mansion has hosted many a celebrity event and its lucky guests are privy to a bevy of luxurious indulgences. **The very private 8 bedroom, 11.5 bath estate consists of 25,000 sq ft of luxury. Its screening room seats 122 people and there is an indoor as well as outdoor pool, a sauna, steam room, tennis court and wave pool. The home is set on five and a half acres on a secluded inlet that leads out to Georgia Pond. It also includes a barber shop and beauty parlor.** Geena Davis was married there, and there have been countless celebrity parties on the estate over the years. It has been for sale for quite some time now.

Then there is Swans Way, Tower Hill, Maycroft, Three Ponds Farm, The White House, Onadune, Eothen, The Villa Maria, Goose Watch Farm, Burnt Point and the list goes on and on. These estates feature all the bells and whistles that the A-listers seem to want or need. Some have paid up to **$550,000 to lease just for a season. Tower Hill, the historic Bridgehampton estate, was said to have been purchased by the Gardiner Family because its location made it possible for the owners to keep their eye on their own private island,** Gardiners Island.

In Southampton, there is **Vyne Croft** on three acres that border Lake Agawam. The 9,000 sq. ft. traditional is **going for $25 million. It was designed by Grosvenor Atterbury and built in 1902. The home has 11 bedrooms, 10 baths and five fireplaces. It has a heated gunite pool and a long private winding drive.** It is listed with Sotheby's International Realty in Southampton.

Goose Watch Farm is a 10,000 sq. ft. **residence in Southampton on Meadow Lane. This estate sits high on Water Mill ridge and was designed with a European hunting lodge in mind. It has 7 bedrooms, 7 baths and a separate staff wing.** It has an auxiliary generator to insure power in case of a power failure. It was designed by Dimitrius Balamotis and built by Hamilton Hoge. **This estate, like many of its kind, has been featured in *Architectural Digest*.** It is listed with Sotheby's International at $20 million. If all you want for Christmas is an English Country Estate, you can have one on Shelter Island for $7.5 million. It overlooks Coceles Harbor and is located on an island within an island, Little Ram Island. There is a movie theatre, a gym, 2 fireplaces, 4 en suite style bedrooms and a library. The property **includes a separate carriage house, a heated gunite pool, and a 120' deepwater dock that can accommodate as many as three boats.**

If your taste is more contemporary, there is **Three Waters on Dune Road in Bridgehampton, where Mecox Bay meets the Atlantic Ocean.** This all white multi-level contemporary 3,500 sq. ft. offers **dream views of the bay, the ocean, and the cut. The home was named for its views of these "Three Waters."** It has a heated pool and spa, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths and is located on 2 waterfront acres with water views from every room. It is listed with The Corcoran Group in Bridgehampton.

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Rock

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than 55 degrees (October in the northeast).

Poinsettias are short-day photoperiodic plants and set their buds/produce flowers as autumn nights lengthen. To make a plant reflower, it must receive as much sunshine as possible during the day. Beginning in October, it requires at least 14 hours of uninterrupted darkness each night - with temperatures between 60 and 70 degrees. Stray light from street lamps, pools, patios, etc. delay or halt reflowering. Storing a plant in a closet or covering it with a tent that prevents light from entering works well.

The dark treatment must last until color starts to show in the bracts (usually the end of November). At this time, continue fertilizing and watering it to encourage growth. Any pests that appear can be removed with mildly soapy water or with rubbing alcohol on a cotton swab.

We believe this is a rewarding plant that benefits from some experimentation by gardeners. Are you up to the challenge of reblooming one of these beauties?

You can contact Lance Brilliantine with any questions or comments at GardenLance@yahoo.com.

Quit

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or use our other quit-smoking plans and services to show your loved ones you care and to encourage them to quit smoking," said Rez Seyedin, founder of Smoke Free Society.

"Today, we better understand and can address the smoker's psychological and emotional dependency and conditioning to smoking and nicotine. Over time, smokers become conditioned to smoke more, triggered by their daily routines that feed their urge to light up. An effective way of quitting is to signal smokers when to smoke, disrupting their usual smoking pattern and gradually increasing the time between cigarettes. This helps break the association of lighting up with having a cup of coffee, finishing a meal, etc. Preparation, education and support from professionals and family can further help smokers quit and stay quit," said Seyedin.

Due to the overwhelming demand in November for its free, online download of the "Proven Stop Smoking Technique," Smoke Free Society has announced plans to continue offering it through the end of January to help encourage smokers to follow through with their New Year's resolution, to quit for good this coming year, while saving their life, their loved ones' health and their hard-earned money.

Smoke Free Society is a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping smokers quit and educating kids not to start. Over 4,400 kids start to smoke every day and nearly 5 million loved ones are killed by tobacco use each year. It is currently offering a free download of its "Proven Stop Smoking Technique" ($39.95) to anyone who wants to quit smoking or help a loved one quit. Its Web site is a portal to an array of information on the adverse effects of smoking and offers a variety of quit smoking seminars, plans and programs. Its dedicated staff is ready to help you, your employees, friends or loved ones quit smoking before it's too late. Visit the Web site at www.SmokeFreeSociety.org today.

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This New Year's resolution, I'm there!

–Maria Tennariello

Letters

DUBIOUS POLITICS SORTED

Dear Dan,

You of course must have not researched your article, or you are trying to confuse the heck out of those of us who went to school. Are you just testing us? This is INSANE Dan...Theodore Roosevelt was a Republican, William Howard Taft was a Republican, Woodrow Wilson was a Democrat.

To throw a little light on the subject. The Tafts are still in power. The Governor of Ohio is a Taft who is a Republican, currently in disgrace with the lowest recorded popularity of any politician since polling began. He is a descendant of the President.

The Manhattan and Oyster Bay Roosevelts (pronounced Rooooseavelt-long on the o's) are Republicans. Franklin's family from Hyde Park (pronounced Rosa-velt) are Democrats. They are cousins, but had different political views, obviously. Eleanor was from Teddy's clan and met Franklin at a family party while a teenager. She became a Democrat, and was one of the most famous Democrats ever.

Woodrow Wilson was the President of Princeton University and the Governor of New Jersey and was never anything but a Democrat.

Dan's Papers

As you know (I hope) William McKinley was assassinated by an anarchist in Buffalo, leaving the young Teddy President. McKinley was a Republican, too.

I love your articles Dan, and have been reading the Pioneer since I was a boy vacationing at my family's place on De Forest in Montauk. Man—get a grip if you are writing a factual account of a political nature. It sends the wrong message to people about history.

Your statement that Teddy Roosevelt was one of the greatest Presidents is certainly debatable, and a view held mostly by Republican pundits. They insist Reagan is one of the greatest too, and I would debate that ad infinitum. Many would equate the Spanish War Roosevelt was so victorious in to be an American police action to steal territory—along the lines of the current Iraq conflict.

Regards.

C.J. Turnquist
Via e-mail

Never happen again. –DR

SPREADING THE WORD ON RELIEF

Dear Dan,

Would you possibly put this into your paper somewhere? You have such a wide readership that I know some of them might be willing to help if you ran it. Honestly, I was surprised by the big response I got from people who had read in your paper about the tractor-trailer collecting relief supplies I had on Montauk Highway shortly after Katrina. What caught my attention most of all was how many had read about it in New York or distant parts of Long Island and brought me things on their way to their houses out here or to parties they were going to locally. It was an eye-opener for me; I am embarrassed to admit. I had no idea how wide your readership was until then. I am very impressed.

Thank you for including my collection location on your Katrina page, it helped me to quickly fill that first trailer with about 40,000 pounds of supplies. A second trailer followed it, but from Southampton. The third was filled with cleaning supplies, tools, fire fighting equipment plus a chief's SUV, which we stuffed with supplies before loading it into the trailer. Two fire trucks, another SUV and an ambulance have also been donated along with lots of fire-fighting and lifesaving equipment. It's all wonderful but so much more is needed. Katrina has done so much more damage than most of us realize. The whole coastline needs more help, even as the storm fades from our memories.

Holiday Cheer from Pearlington, Mississippi.

Ceal Havemeyer
Via e-mail

Do not forget Katrina –DR

RESPONDING TO "HEALTH SOCIETY" BY DAVID STOLL

Dear Dan,

I also have wondered why the "Hamptons" did not have a first-rate medical center. The money is there. Yet turning around a hospital, especially in these times, is next to impossible. Yet the article first mentions Dr. Michalos, who is dedicating tremendous time and effort to raising money and to improve Southampton hospital. I support him entirely.

Also, as any doctor knows, the major power and decisions today are with administration. Then I read the name John Kastanis. It said he is doing fantastically. Yes, Southampton has one of the very best administrators, period. That is a lot from a physician.

If anyone can turn around a hospital, raise money and get along with the medical staff, it is Mr. Kastanis. Dedication, forward-thinking, honesty, have given him great respect in the toughest area to work in health care–Manhattan. A reputation well deserved.

My wife, also a physician, and I look forward to this new period with excitement and a desire to help. Also we urge all Hamptonites to work with the hospital in any way possible.

Vincent Lobbato, M.D.
Hampton Bays

There's a job to do. –DR

Police Blotter

Common Sense

A drunken thief almost made out with a car in Bridgehampton, had it not been for the saving grace of technology. The booze-thirsty bandit almost got away with a 1993 Chrysler on Bridgehampton-Sag Harbor Turnpike after a long and wild December 10 Saturday night. He could have gotten away with it too, but the vehicle would not start due to the alcohol-sensing device implanted in the car, prohibiting any drunk driver from operating it. Instead of taking the automobile, the thief instead stole the sensor, cutting it from the car and escaping with it. There are no suspects, but $250 worth of damage was done to the Chrysler. This thief should implant this alcohol-sensing device on his front door, so when he leaves to do stupid things under the influence, the sensor won't let him out of his house.

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Door Damage

Damage was done to the front door of a Cove Hollow Road home in East Hampton Town on Sunday, December 11. A man came home to find toothpaste, paint, and shaving cream covering his door. There are no suspects as of yet but it is believed police will be looking for someone who appreciates good hygiene.

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Heroic Shopper

A pathetic attempt at carjacking took place in East Hampton Town on Thursday, December 8. A woman was grabbed by the coat by a perp in a black ski mask after grocery shopping at the I.G.A. parking lot on Collins Avenue. The woman took charge and, refusing become a victim, punched her assailant. Just then, the villain's back up arrived out of nowhere and both men fled the scene. The cunning shopper had apparently reported noticing these men prior to shopping. She is a hero and an inspiration and should be feared by all wussy, half-hearted criminals everywhere.

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Underground Biz

An anonymous tip led East Hampton Town police to a Montauk apartment where they believed something fishy was up, and not just because the residence was located behind Offshore Sports Marina. After hearing that loads of people were visiting the aforementioned apartment at all hours of the day and night, police began investigating and finally raided the place at 10 a.m. Saturday morning, on December 10. Authorities uncovered marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and various prescription drugs as well as scales, packaging materials for distribution, and US currency. It is doubted that this couple was offering horticultural tips to inquisitive minds but it is believed that they may in fact have been selling drugs.

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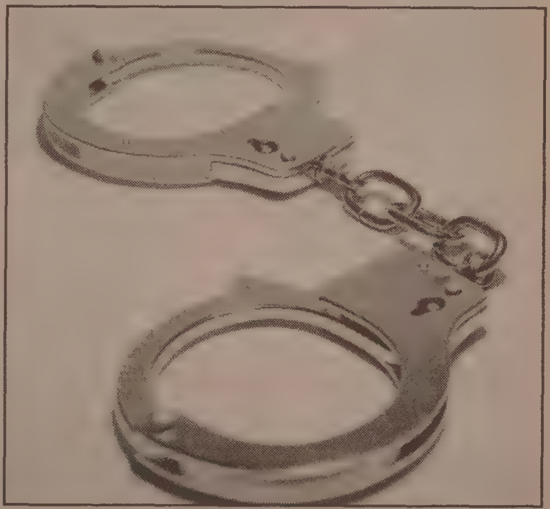
Family Matters

Southampton police arrested a 27-year-old man on North Sea Road on December 8 at 2:23 a.m. He was charged with grand larceny in the fourth degree and unauthorized use of a vehicle in the third degree, a felony and a misdemeanor. The auto thief apparently stole a purse from a family member containing $117 in cash and three credit cards, and then fled in her 1992 Chevy Camaro. None of this would have happened if Bob Sagget's character Danny Tanner were the man of this house. It is unknown whether the disgruntled kin's mullet haircut was flowing in the wind as he fled in the Camaro.

–Written and Compiled by Breck Archer



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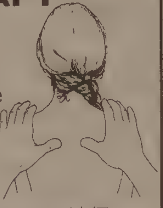

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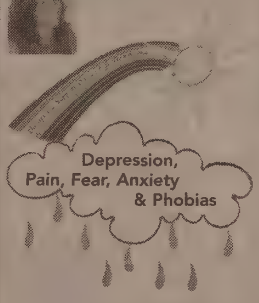

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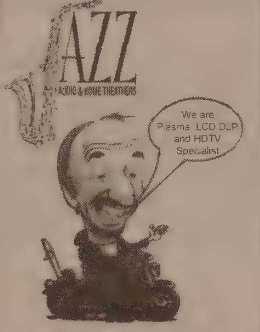
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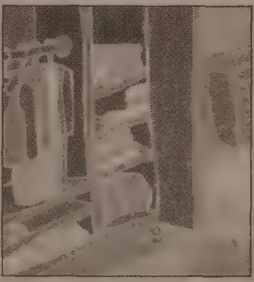

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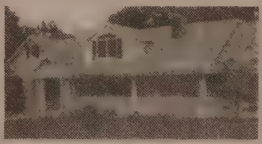

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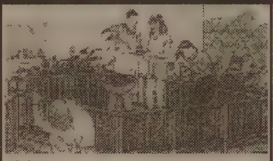

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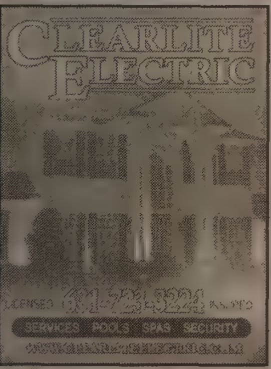
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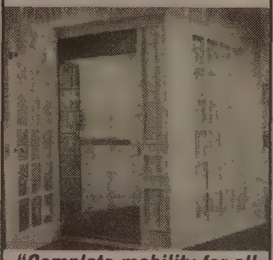
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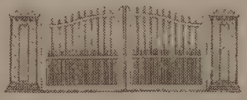

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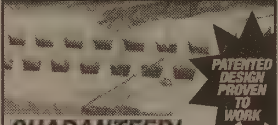

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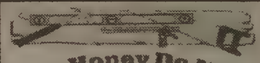

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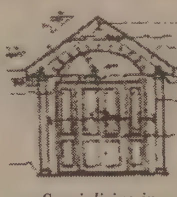

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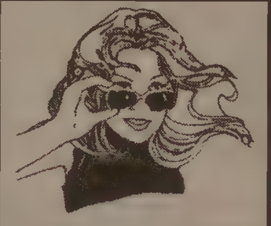

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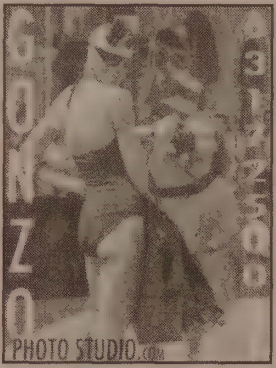

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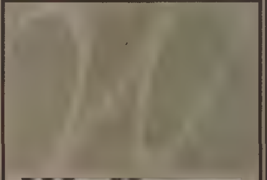

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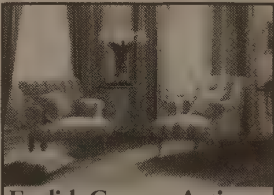

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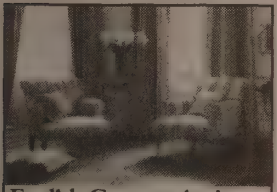

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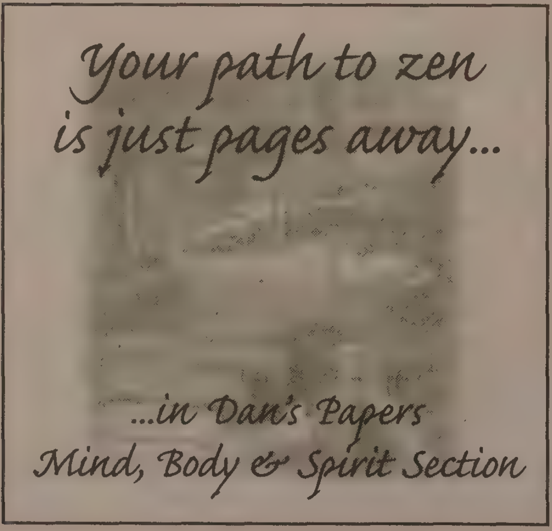

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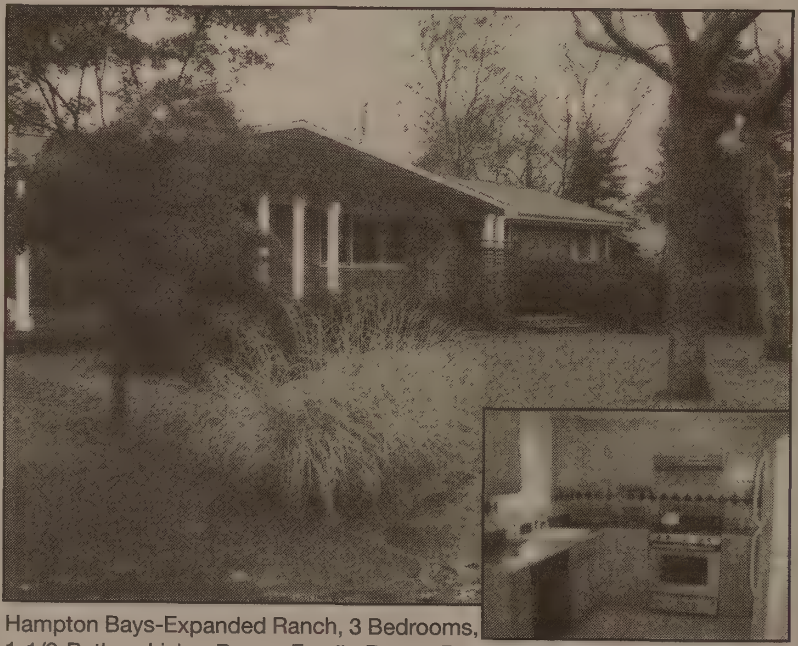

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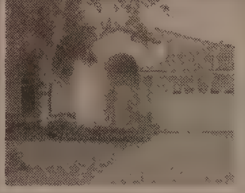

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Ultimate Privacy. Aquebogue 2,800 square foot 4 bedroom, 3 full bath contemporary home in a beautiful country like setting. This on more than 2 acres offers a manmade waterfall and bubbling stream. The potting shed and child's playhouse add to the charm amongst the gardens. A true one of a kind, must see.Exclusive $675,000 Jamesport Office (631) 722-2600.

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Rocking Chair. Front Porch. Greenport.This cedar sided Colonial in family fun neighborhood has a lot to offer. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, private yard, office over the garage, just to name a few. Exclusive $389,000 Cutchogue Office (631) 734-5700

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Wonderful 1927 Arts & Crafts Bungalow Southold. 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with private backyard. Walkway to Southold creek park. Oak floors throughout, fireplace, full basement & more. Exclusive $439,000 Greenport Office (631) 477-2730

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Cozy Colonial Southold. Move right in. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with recent upgrades close to town, school and beaches. Priced to sell. Exclusive $459,000 Southold Office (631) 765-3800

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Westhampton. 4 bedroom, 3 bath Traditional on half an acre. Central air, garage and finished basement with apartment. Folio #65188 In #41157 $799,000

Bridgehampton. European style villa offering 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, pool basement and garage. Beautifully landscaped on 1.26 of an acre. Folio #11369 In #37069 Co-exclusive $2,695,000

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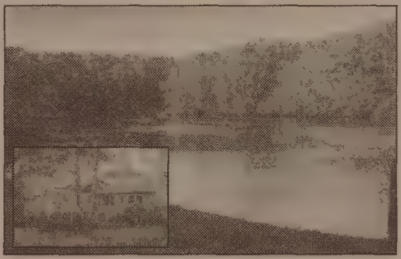

Sag Harbor- Great Pond Front home in Sag Harbor. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath Ranch on .92 Pond Front acres. Wonderful sunroom off kitchen. Skylights throughout. Private cul-de-sac *neighborhood.* ***Exclusive $1,150,000***
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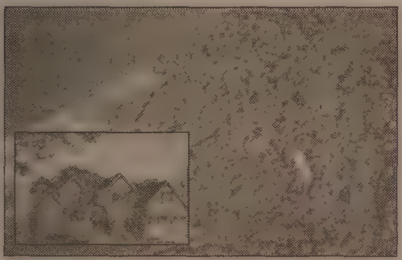

Southold- Privacy and Elegance. Walk to Goose Creek & Southold Yacht Club from this well planned new home to be built. 1+ secluded acre backing up to 7 acre preserve Many upgrades & amenities including 1st floor master suite w/bath & private study.
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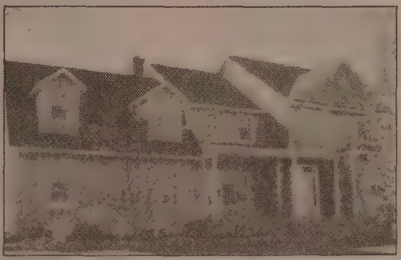

Jamesport- Indulge Yourself. Every luxury is included with this 5 bedroom, 3.5 bath home located on a private acre surrounded by preserved farmlands. This prestigious *5000sqft home boasts a gourmet kitchen, 2 master suites,* and you should see the Sound sunsets from Iron Pier beach
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Greenport- Convenient To All. Walk to everything from this two-story fully renovated Greenport Village home. Sunny open floor plan on 1st floor, 2BR/2.5BA plus master bed*room suite with private balcony and quiet, secluded yard*
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Water Mill. 5 bedroom, 4 baths with pool and central air. Folio #9638 In #32781. $2,100,000

Westhampton Beach New Construction. 5 bedrooms, 4 baths with pool, basement and central air. Folio #8615 In #34390. $1,800,000

East Quogue. 4 bedroom, 2 bath Colonial with fireplace, pool and Bay views. Folio #64986 $950,000

Hampton Bays. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, finished basement and garage Folio #64985. $550,000

Southampton Farm House. 3 bedroom, 3 bath Traditional with fireplace and pool. Folio #6878 In #41146. $825,000

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Speonk. Located in Howell Park is a 2 bedroom totally renovated Ranch with lots of backyard. Private community has access to Southampton beaches and great school district. Good starter opportunity. Folio# 64072, IN# 41263, Exclusive $415,000.

Westhampton Beach. Stately 6 bedroom, 3 bath home with multi-level decking, pool and unbelievable vista views. Close to bay and ocean. Folio# 63819, IN# 38739, Exclusive $1,980,000.

East Quogue. Stunning 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Traditional with gourmet kitchen, special media room, child's playroom, central air and heated pool, garage and guest house complete the package. Folio# 9931, IN# 39941, Exclusive $1,850,000.

Manorville. 3 bedroom Colonial on builder's acre. 1.5 baths, family room, dining room and eat-in-kitchen. Exceptional school district. All located on private road. Folio# 63807, IN# 38725 Exclusive $439,000.

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East Quogue. Post Modern 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, family room with fireplace, central air, pool, brick patio all on 1.2 acres in mint condition. Folio# 63720, IN# 38042, Exclusive $1,200,000.

Westhampton. Great House, Room For Expansion, Convert Garage To Pool House And Guest Quarters, New Line For Pool, Convert Loft To 4th Bedroom. Great Location. Folio# 64752, IN# 40359 Exclusive $1,325,000.

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All in One. Enjoy this luxurious home on beautifully landscaped acre. Featuring heated gunite pool, 5 bedrooms, 5 baths, fireplace, full basement, 2-car garage, and gourmet kitchen fully loaded with top of the line appliances. Folio #10972/ $2,850,000.

Beauty on the Bay. Traditional 2-story turnkey home on 120 feet of private waterfront. Three bedrooms, 3 baths, Jacuzzi, top of the line kitchen, a bar, fireplace, and an outdoor BBQ with spectacular sunsets. Purchase of house includes a red Ferrari and a speed boat. Folio #8869 / $3,750,000.

East Hampton Charming Saltbox. Three minutes from town and beaches, 1 bedroom, 1 baths, finished bonus guest room, wide plank floors, fireplace, open kitchen and small garden area. Folio #7058 / Int. #83651. Exclusive $599,000.

Equestrian Estate. Two-story traditional on meticulously manicured 5 plus acres. Gated entry, 5 bedrooms, 6 baths, gourmet kitchen, open fireplace, mahogany library, fenced, bluestone-edged natural pond, heated gunite pool, Grand Prix equestrian field, and a heated barn with 6 stalls. Folio #8999 / $5,900,000.

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Spectacular Private Estate Setting. Spectacular 6 bedroom home includes 5 baths, living room with expansive cathedral ceilings, heated gunite pool, central vacuum, marble baths, gourmet kitchen, and attached 3-car garage. Beautifully landscaped 2 acres at the end of a private cul-de-sac. Folio #10755, $2,600,000.

Traditional. Minutes from East Hampton Village on .55 of an acre. 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, a wood-burning stove in the kitchen. Attached artist studio. 2-car detached garage. Folio# 65126 / Int. # 41142. Exclusive $850,000.

Ultra Private. Brand new, exquisite 5700 square foot home, 2 acres, 4 plus bedrooms, 5 baths, 2 fireplaces, walk-out gorgeous lower level. Second floor water views. Gunite pool, room for tennis, surrounded by preserve! Folio #9967 / Int. #32798. Exclusive $2,390,000.

Walk to Water at Barnes Landing Beach. 2800 square foot home, offering 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, an attached garage, finished basement, and a great front porch. Additional large space, ideal for artist's studio or sunroom! This classic family home sits on 3/4 acre, on a very quiet street, with room for a pool! Folio #65010 / Int. #41268. Co-Exclusive $925,000.

Wildlife and Water in Southampton. Three bedroom ranch, 2 baths, hot tub, den, fireplace, eat-in kitchen, dining room, full basement, garage, room for pool on shy 1/2 acre with irrigation. Area surrounded by Wildlife Refuge and Sanctuary. Folio #58777 / Int. #39140. Exclusive $775,000.

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Clearwater Cape. Nearly new cape has 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, pool, air, full basement. $769,000 F#64518 IN#41469. William Stoecker 631-907-1455

Bridgehampton Opportunity. Two story cape on .8 acre lot, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. Investment house $725,000 F#73800 IN#40028. Elisabeth Mills 631-907-1463

Private And Stylish In East Hampton. 3,600 square foot postmodern on 2 acres, pool, garage, Exclusive. $1,675,000 F#56492 IN#37990. Elisabeth Mills 631-907-1463

Mint Northwest Contemporary Spacious 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath home on landscaped acre features skylights, fireplace, heated pool and hot tub. $999,000 F#45962 IN#41369. Anita Klempner (631)324-6900 ext.233

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Sunny & Private. On 1 Acre. 3 bedrooms, fireplace, large deck, sun-porch, central air, abuts reserve $1,100,000 F#74791 IN#40778. Tom Griffith 631-907-1497

Village Magic. Rebuilt 1920's Village cottage. Pool. Plus cottage. Half acre $1,800,000 F#30482 IN#41911. Nan Dillon 631-907-1492

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Estate Section Gem. Gorgeous landscaped 1 acre. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, heated pool, living room with fireplace. $2,275,000 F#74201 IN#39971. Connie Walsh 631-723-4401

Resort Living. 2300 square foot condo, fireplace, pool, tennis, golf, GHA, central air, garage. $499,000. F#74178 IN#40039. Eileen Kramer 631-723-4413

Quiogue Waterfront. 3.9 private acres on Quantuck Bay, nice house with 6 bedrooms, 5 bath $3,995,000. F#75444 IN#41855. Meredith Murray 631-723-4420

Hampton Bays Heaven. Almost new between village and ocean, living room with fireplace, central air. Really nice! $539,000, F#75250. IN#41632 contact Kent Rydberg 631-723-4416.

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Southampton Gem. 4 bedroom, 2 bath on 1.23 acre. Heated pool, detached garage. $999,000 F#75442 IN#41806. Karli E. Kittine (631)725-5252 ext.354

Build Your Beach Home. Sag Harbor. Approval for 3 bedroom, 2 bath home close to bay and Village. $399,000 F#74006 IN#3645. Jeff Vilensky (631)725-5252 ext.305

Waterfront Community.1.1 acre cul-de-sac, access water, launch kayak/canoe, moor boat, 3200 square feet, Contemporary, 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, Pool, 600 square feet access. Building/Art Studio $1,295,000 F#64277 IN#35819. Diane Kenney (631)725-6900 ext.353

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Beach, Dock, Pool. 4 bedroom. Exclusive. $4,895,000. F#75221 IN#41626. Gina Surerus (631)749-1600 ext.301 or Leith Surerus (631)749-1600 ext.311

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Southampton Village Condo. Great new kitchen and baths. 3 bedrooms, loft and finished basement. $1,075,000. F#47367 IN#40466. David Butland 631-204-2602

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Bucolic Waterfront. Open Bay views, bulkheaded 1.2 acre waterfront building parcel Health Dept. and DEC permits in place, ready to build the home, pool and accessory building of your dreams. Surrounded by a few fabulous estates. Exclusive $1,950,000. IN#03838, Grace Kempton, Assoc. Broker, c:631-276-9220

Dering Harbor. Level lush lot in estate area, over 3 acres including tennis court $1,650,000 IN#03464

Dering Harbor. On Gardiner's Bay. 3.1 acres, $1,290,000 IN# 03563, Grace Kempton, Assoc. Broker c:631-276-9220

Waterview Parcel. 1.35 acres. Health Dept. approval in place. Many options, call for details. $775,000 IN#03802 Grace Kempton, Assoc. Broker c:631-276-9220

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Montauk. Winter Wonderland! Nestled on 1.6 acres in Hither Woods is sprawling Cedar home. Spacious living/dining room with cathedral ceiling, and massive brick, double-sided fireplace. Two master suites, plus two guest bedrooms and bath. Oil hot air heat and central air for year-round comfort. Extensive decking leads to heated gunite pool. Ours Exclusively at $1,795,000.

Montauk. Cold Feet? Warm them up by the cozy fireplace in classic shingled Montauk Cottage perched on the dunes. House renovated for year-round living by the sea. Cathedral ceiling in living room with fireplace. Beautiful bay-window with ocean views. Two nicely sized bedrooms. Outside shower. Gas heat and air conditioning units. Ocean viewing deck. Exclusively ours at $1,250,000.

Montauk. Cold Weather, Hot Buy! Walk to harbor, restaurants and shops from comfortable three bedroom, 1.5 bath Ranch. Spacious living room with gas fireplace. Finished basement with outside entrance. Nicely landscaped backyard with stone patio, fenced garden and oversized, detached garage. Offered at$729,000.

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Montauk. Give Something Big. Like this stunning newly constructed Cedar Shake Post Modern with water views of Block Island Sound. Features two Master Suites plus 2 additional guest bedrooms and additional 1.5 baths. Hardwood floors, full basement and attached garage. GHA heat and central air. Plunge pool. Private beach rights. Co-Exclusive $1,700,000.

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Riverhead/Polish Town. All new 1 bedroom apartment on 2nd floor, private entrance and parking. Security and references required. No pets. $975 per month. Laurie 631-375-4324.

Mattituck. Stunning views of Long Island Sound! Walk to beach! 3 bedroom, 3 bath on 1 plus acre on bluff in Captain Kidd Estates. Open kitchen, dining area, great room, fireplace, wall to ceiling windows. References and 1 month security required. $3000 per month. negotiable. Suzy 631.495.4122

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North Haven. Renovated Home On One Acre. Well-maintained 2-story home in the prestigious area of North Haven. The interior features 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, dining area, central air and fully loaded kitchen. Recently renovated and includes mahogany decking and room for pool. Private beach rights, too. $899,000 Exclusive. #51192.

East Hampton. Charming 1920's cottage. This 2200 square foot 5 bedroom cottage in the historic district of the Springs has a gracious front porch, large eat in kitchen, dinning room, living room, sunroom, 5 sunny bedrooms, and well landscaped grounds. This property is rare find and a great investment. $665,000 Exclusive # 56123

North Haven. Cozy Cape. Fabulous possibilities for major expansion. This clean and cozy 3-bedroom, 2-bath house is located on a tranquil 1.3-acre cul-de-sac lot in prestigious North Haven. Great investment opportunity. $895,000 Exclusive #55192.

Bridgehampton. Unique History. This custom home was built around a 200 year old farm/schoolhouse. Designed by a renowned architect, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths oversized garage on 2.3 acres nicely landscaped with pool. $2,000,000 Exclusive #54850

Sag Harbor. Front and Center on Captain's Row. Stunning renovation located in the heart of the Historic district on a large lot. Recently completed after 2 year process, this 5 bedroom, 4 bath, has a gunite pool and 2 car garage. It has been restored to the highest quality. A Masterpiece. $3,100,000 Exclusive #55007

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King of the Hill. East Quogue. $3,250,000. Magnificent 6 bedroom home located in an exclusive community. This new 7400 square foot Mediterranean stone and stucco home with every amenity imaginable features hydraulic wrought iron gates, 4 fireplaces, 8 baths, custom 60 foot heated gunite pool and spa, outdoor Viking grill island, 1st floor Master en suite, formal dining room with floor to ceiling stone fireplace, professional gourmet kitchen with top of the line appliances and granite countertops, and 4,000 square foot. basement.
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Bay Front Beauty in Westhampton Beach Village. $2,599,000. Experience the most spectacular sunsets from a charming 4 bedroom, 3 bath contemporary. Spacious, open living space with wood burning fireplace and fabulous Bay views. Entertain outdoors poolside in a heated gunite pool amongst a private garden with a fishpond or bayside from your deck and dock. Right of way to ocean. Must See!! Exclusive. #55903

Pure Simplicity or Investor's Dream. Quogue. $1,650,000. Spend your seasons nestled on a lovely tree bordered 1.9 acre lot giving you the utmost privacy without isolation. This updated 3-bedroom 2-bath home with hardwood floors throughout is infused with warmth and comfort achieved through the play of color and light. When guests are visiting, let them feel at ease in a separate 5 bedroom, 3 bath home with fireplace. In addition to all of this, you have excellent subdivision possibilities. Exclusive. #56468

New Construction. Prestigious East Quogue Community. $1,400,000. The magnificent Pine Barrens provide ultimate privacy for this 4200 square foot Post Modern. Its spacious interior enhanced by vaulted ceilings, offers 5 bedrooms, 5.5 baths, library, play room, two story great room with gas fireplace, eat-in kitchen, formal dining room, and main floor laundry. Exclusive. #55915

A Great Family House. Remsenburg. $999,000.Water views from the terrace off the master bedroom, a beautiful stone patio and park like yard and an elegant sunroom adorn this wonderful 4 bedroom, 3 bath colonial. A huge open kitchen with granite counters empties into a family room with marble fireplace and built ins meandering around to a fabulous Florida room with views of the preserve. Formal Living and Dining rooms complete with detail molding round out the first floor. A two car garage, new roof, siding and windows makes this the best value south of Main Street. Exclusive. #55222

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$750,000. 4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, fireplace, central air, irrigation system, 2,200 square foot Traditional on 1 acre in the East Hampton school district. F#22034 Call Jack Kelleher (631) 902-4576

Walk to Village shops and restaurants! $795,000. Lowest price this close to the village! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, lovingly maintained 1930s cape on with room for expansion and a pool. F#22403 Call Jack Kelleher (631) 902-4576

$1,950,000. Newly constructed with exquisite details. 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, gourmet kitchen, fireplace, gunite pool, bluestone patio, 2,500 square foot Traditional on beautifully landscaped acre. F#23268 Call Jack Kelleher (631) 902-4576

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Sales Between 08/30/05 and 09/25/05

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Closing Date: 09/22/2005
Quinn 20 GEORGICA CLOSE LLC
20 Georgica Close Road
(301-7-4-3) **1,354,500**

Closing Date: 08/23/2005
Grossman RAIA, Steven
33 Mill Hill Lane
(301-8-7-21.3) **1,895,000**

Closing Date: 09/22/2005
Quinn 6 GEORGICA CLOSE LLC
6 Georgica Close Road
(301-7-4-17) **2,218,800**

Closing Date: 09/13/2005
Hallissey HENDON
Joanna 767 Hands Creek Road
(300-74-1-13) **1,280,000**

Closing Date: 09/16/2005
McCarver Trust
SPRING CLOSE INT'L LLC
6 Quarty Court
(300-118-1-12.73) **1,900,000**

Closing Date: 08/23/2005
Keil CHEMLA
Alexandre & Lori
460 Further Lane
(300-190-1-7.3) **5,250,000**

Closing Date: 09/22/2005
Sambol NEWSON Amanda & Martin
45 East Hollow Road
(301-8-11-10) **3,650,000**

Closing Date: 09/16/2005
Hoguet DS 2 LLC
Further Lane
(301-9-6-13.8) (V) **6,500,000**

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Further Lane
(301-9-6-13.8) (V) **6,500,000**

Sales Of Not Quite A Million During This Period

AMAGANSETT 11930

Closing Date: 09/19/2005
Sherrill TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
Napeague Harbor Road
(300-110-1-3.1) (V) **800,000**

AQUEBOGUE 11931

Closing Date: 09/16/2005
Gendot Homes Inc DORNICIK
Francine & Robert 9 Fox Trail Court
(600-21-2-15.20) **519,750**

Closing Date: 09/09/2005
GarbarczykTHIES, Jane
109 Peconic Bay Blvd
(600-86-4-21.4) **669,000**

BAITING HOLLOW 11933

Closing Date: 09/08/2005
Trondle Trust
SPANBURGH, Richard
85 Palane North
(600-40-2-12.12) **515,000**

CUTCHOGUE 11935

Closing Date: 09/08/2005
Schneider SCHMOUPY JUNTUNEN LLC
7645 Alvahs Lane
(1000-101-1-14.7) **626,634**

EAST HAMPTON 11937

Closing Date: 09/09/2005
Rod Staten Corp
SAVANNAH CONST CORP
Lincoln Street
(300-95-2-4.1) (V) **500,000**

Closing Date: 09/16/2005
Napolillo MEDINA
Julio 7 Hawthorne Street
(300-58-6-22.2) **667,000**

Closing Date: 09/09/2005
Savannah Const. Corp MIRZA
Rehan & Kathleen 14 Lincoln Street
(300-95-2-4.1) **677,500**

Closing Date: 09/08/2005
Irving NEUMANN
Charles & Priscilla
34 Waterhole Road
(300-39-2-21.2) **720,000**

Closing Date: 09/09/2005
Savarese FONDACARO
Jennifer & Robert
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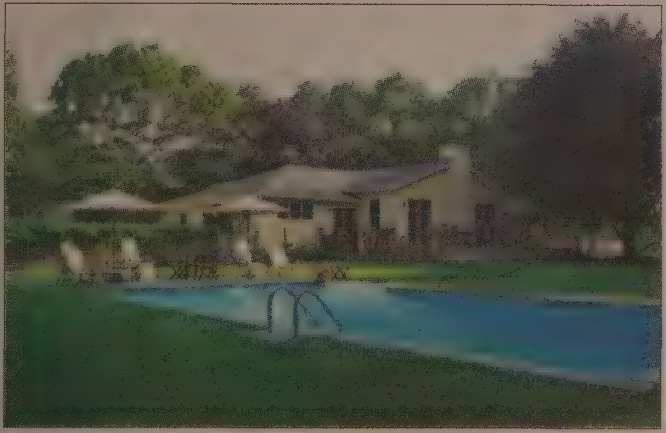

Wainscott South Exclusive

Impeccable 3 bedroom, 3 bath traditional on a beautifully landscaped and private 1.4 acres in Wainscott, south of the highway includes a custom kitchen, open dining and living area with fireplace, garage and heated pool.

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Desirable Northwest EH, Tennis Too

Located minutes from the Village, this sun-drenched, 2-story contemporary has 4 bedrooms and 3.5 baths. The double-height living/great room leads to a huge, new mahogany deck with swimming pool. Community tennis courts are included.

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Move Right in

Built in 2000, this home is in meticulous condition with room for a pool. Located off the road for privacy and quiet, stroll down the long driveway to the bay-a short walk away. 4 big bedrooms with 3 baths, and finished basement.

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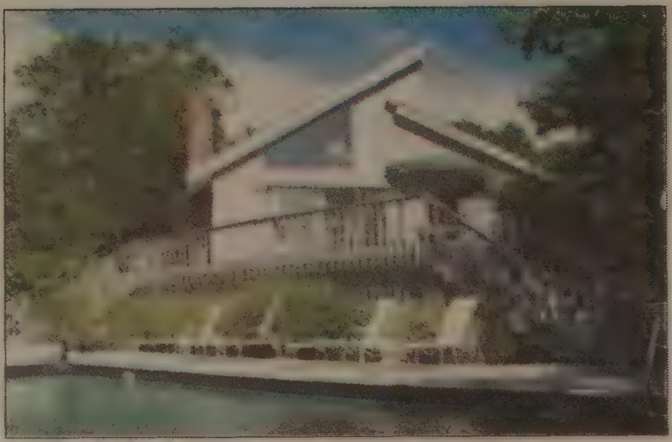

Home For All Seasons

Contemp. home set on shy private acre. 3 BR, 2 BA, living room with fireplace plus spacious lower level with family room, office/den, guest bedroom and bath. Multi level decks, heated 20'x40' pool and hot tub. Priced to sell !

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East Hampton Exceptional!

Marvelous new construction on a great Village Lane. 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath traditional featuring 1st floor Master, front porch and rear deck, fireplace, open living/dining room, detached garage, and Pool! No detail overlooked.

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Historic Cottage and Artist's Studio

This 4 bedroom, 2 bath homestead dates from 1722 and charming details abound; beamed ceilings, old pine floors, fireplace, french doors and a wisteria-covered pergola. Plus, there's a large working studio, pool and magnificent trees.

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Sag Harbor Noyac Private and Wooded

Built in 1987 this 3 bedroom, 2.5 baths home has a large fieldstone fireplace and master on the first floor. Room to expand on this private acre. Located near resturants and shopping and only 2 miles to "Long Beach".

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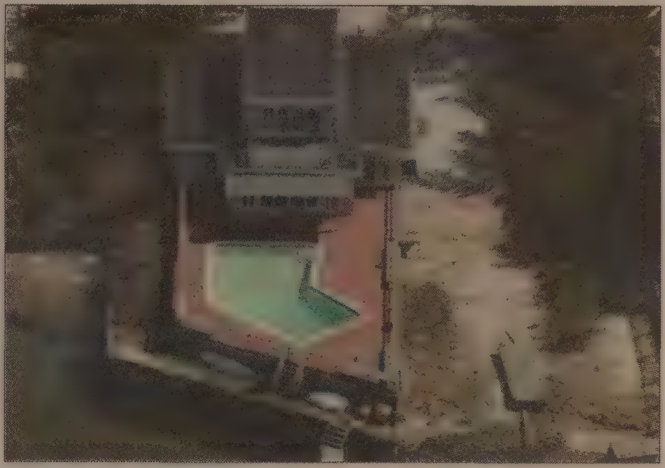

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Beautifully renovated 3 bedroom 1929 traditional is walking distance to all. Master suite and an additional full bathroom and powder room, separate dining room, gourmet kitchen, fireplace, cent AC, finished attic and priv. patio.
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Magnificent Post Modern!!

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SOUTH OF THE HIGHWAY IN SAGAPONACK: On 1.3 acres and down a long private drive you will find a two story contemporary built in 1992. There are 4 bedrooms, 3 baths and a heated pool with deck. This is a great investment opportunity to update the house and add tennis. F#14413 $3.495.000

ARTIST RETREAT! This stucco/stone California style country home on 1 acre was totally remodeled in 2002. It now offers 3 bedroom suites, an addtl. 4th bath, great room with FP, large dining area, gourmet kitchen with breakfast nook, plus an office/den. A 400 sq. ft. artist studio and a pool complete this package. Listed at $1,195,000 F# 22157

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On over an acre on the western side of the island, wonderful 3 BR, 3 BA cottage has direct access to sandy beach. LR w/ fireplace, den, EIK, DA, 2 car garage. Enjoy amazing sunsets from the back deck hot tub or screened in porch. Exclusive $2,225,000. IN#41404

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Perfectly designed for the growing family. Ideal layout with foyer, parlor, FDR, LR w/ raised hearth, large EIK, mudroom, 4 BR's 2.5 BAs inc. Master with his & her walk-ins. Media room and home office. Full basement and attic, 2 car garage. State-of-the-art amenities, CAC, large L-shaped pool, on 1.8 acres adjacent to 11 acre parkland and horse farm. Co-exclusive $2,125,000. IN# 39176

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Located in pastoral setting, newly built home features granite KIT, dining area, LR with fabulous fireplace waiting for warm family gatherings, 1st floor Master Suite w/ Jacuzzi bath and neo shower, screened porch. 3 additional bedrooms, 2.5 baths, library, 2 car garage, CAC, hardwood floors and more. Pool permits pending. Private beach and tennis available. Exclusive $1,795,000. IN#35704 Grace Kempton, Associate Broker, c:631-276-9220

CHARMING COUNTRY HOUSE

Peninsula location, perfect for boaters. LR w/ fireplace, DR w/bay window, island KIT, large deck w/ awnings, 3-4 BR, 3.5 BAs inc. Master Suite w/ Jacuzzi, and family room, quality finished basement w/BA. Fenced backyard, 18 x 38 pool, privet and roses. Short walk to beach, marina and town mooring. Exclusive $1,295,000. IN#40458 Carolyn Stromberg, Sales Assoc. c:631-455-3014

PRISTINE SALTBOX

Wonderful 4 year old shingled traditional has formal LR, family room w/ fireplace, FDR, country EIK, 3 BRs. 2.5 BAs, additional bonus room/game room. Full basement. CAC, hardwood floors and 1 car garage. On 1.3 hilltop acres, back deck overlooks private backyard, room for pool. Mint condition and ready for you to move in! Exclusive $995,000. IN#41145 Call Louise Poleshuk, Sales Associate c:631-905-4339

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Georgica Sweet Spot. Located in East Hampton's premier estate area. Gorgeous 6,150 s.f. custom home built by Hummel. 6 bedrooms, great room, formal dining room, year-round sun room, family room, large country eat-in kitchen, media room with 12 seat home theater. Exclusive. Call Kellye Hoffman. $6,550,000. Available with adjacent one acre for total price of $9,550,000.

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Modernist Classic On Bridgehampton Water. One of only 12 East End homes designed by famed architect Peter Blake, this gem of a beach house sits directly on Sam's Creek and has its own floating dock as well as sunset views over Mecox Bay and the Ocean. Great room with walls of glass, two cantilevered bedrooms and two baths, plus sleek and efficient kitchen. Exclusive. Roseanne Lebwith. $3,500,000.

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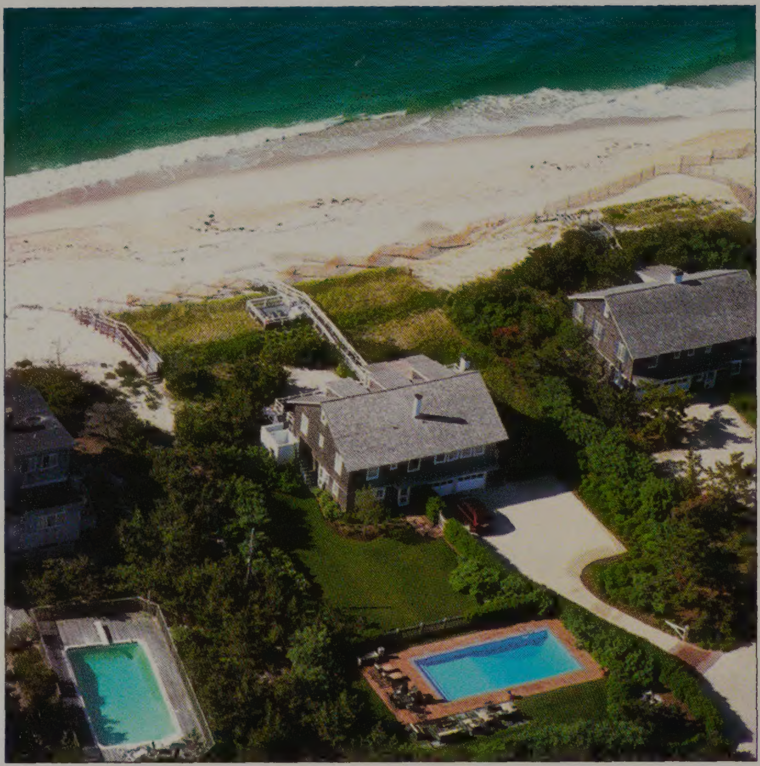

Quogue Oceanfront

This beautifully renovated oceanfront home sits high on the dunes in Quogue. Much care has been taken to update every room without sacrificing the home's original charm. There are 3 levels, with the master suite on the third for a lovely view, 3 additional bedrooms, and a heated pool.

Co-Exclusive $4,995,000 F# 70845 WEB# 38111

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Cottage with Sensational Views

Overlooking Three Mile Harbor, this 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom cottage awaits your decorator to update it to your dream spot getaway. On a private, almost 3/4 acre, with room for pool & expansion. Cool breezes & sunsets are yours!

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Handsome, traditional located on unique property adjacent to over one hundred acres of nature reserve. Exceptional details-panelled living room, family room, screen porch along with 6 bedrooms 6.5 baths. Expect the very best construction!

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This is a gracious 2 story traditional, very privately situated on a beautifully landscaped 1.4 acre lot in Quogue. Only a very short walk to the ocean, features include a heated gunite pool,all weather tennis court, state of art gourmet kitchen, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths.

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New construction, Waterviews from everyroom. Master suite on one floor, with 3 guest bedrooms bonus room, 3 baths, 2 fpl and garage. Pool on the waterside of the house and steps to the beach.

Exclusive $2,400,000 F# 74108 WEB# 39844

John Stevenhagen (631) 725-6900 ext 354
Cell (516) 909-6912

Water Mill Overlooking Reserve

This newly constructed 6,700 sq. ft. 5 bedroom, 5.5 bathroom overlooks a beautiful 32 ac. ag. res. The home features a media room, elegant heated gunite pool with hot tub, pool house, and permit for tennis. All on a beautiful 1.4 ac. property located on a quiet cul de sac street.

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Drew Green (631) 537-7773 ext 309

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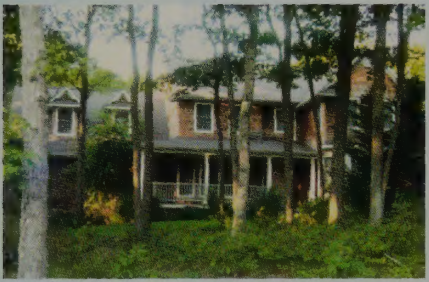
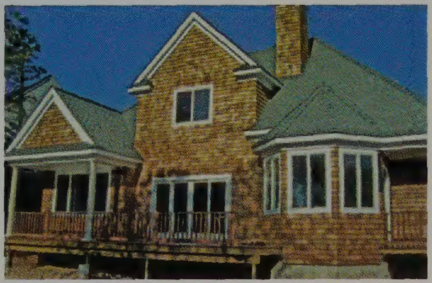
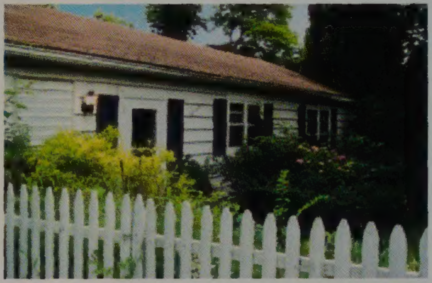


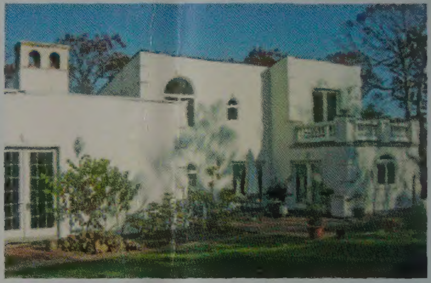
Open House • Sun., Dec. 25 • 12noon-3pm; Wed., Dec. 28 • 2pm-4pm
30 Turtle Pond Rd, Southampton. $1,895,000
Very Private 1.07 acres at the end of cul-de-sac, this 4,500 sq.ft. 5-bedroom, 4-bath home features a media room, 2,000 bottle wine cellar, and heated pool. Exclusive. #56464 Dir: Noyac Road, Right on Turtle Pond Road proceed to end of second cul-de-sac.



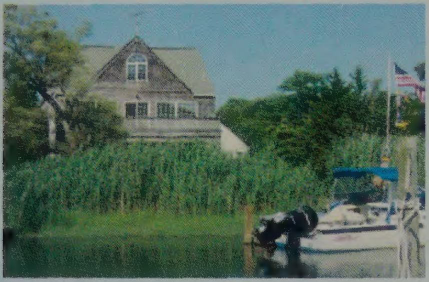
Open House • Sat., Dec. 24 & Thurs., Dec. 29 • 11am-1pm;
Sat., Dec. 31 • 1:30pm-4pm
260 Montauk Highway, Shinnecock Hills. $895,000
Completion early 2006, this 2,200 sq.ft. post modern sits on 1/4 acre. Home boasts 4 bedrooms, 2.5 marble baths, granite kitchen, fireplace, 2-car garage, and pool. Folio. #55934 Dir: South of Southampton College on Montauk Highway.



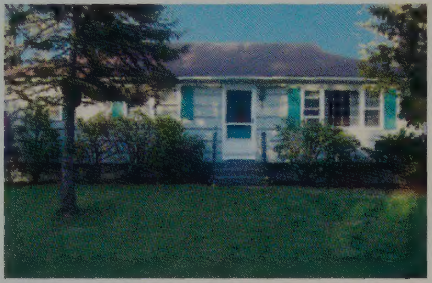
Open House • Sat., Jan. 7 • 12noon-3pm
274 Montauk Highway, Shinnecock. $595,000
Minutes to Ocean, this 5-bedroom, 3-bath 3,000 sq.ft. cottage sits on 1/2 acre lot buffered from Montauk Hwy. Possible waterviews from second story. Exclusive. #51035 Dir: South of Southampton College on Montauk Highway.



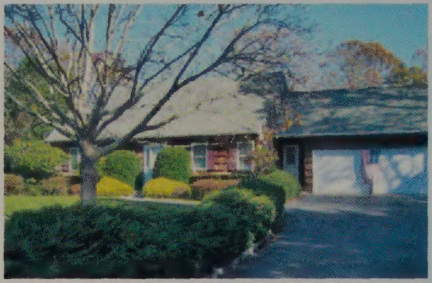
Open House • Wed., Dec. 28 • 2pm-4pm; Sat., Jan. 7 • 12:30pm-3pm
17 Peconic Hills Dr., Southampton. $1,095,000
Sited on a wooded 1.14 acre hill top with gazebo, waterfall, hot tub and pool, beautiful gardens & fruit trees. Recently renovated, this contemporary features 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 fireplaces. Walk to deaded Peconic Bay beaches. Exclusive. #46710 Dir: Take Noyac Rd., Right on Peconic Hils Dr. (Southampton Acres), Right on Peconic Hills Dr. House on left.



Open House • Sat., Jan 7 • 10am-12pm
61 Shore Rd., Southampton. $999,000
This waterfront 3 story post modern, 2,500 sq. ft. 3-bedroom, 2-bath with fireplace. Includes deep water dock to accomodate 45' boat. Minutes to village. Exclusive. #46356 Dir:North Sea Rd. North, Make right at Noyac Rd., First Left to Shore Rd.

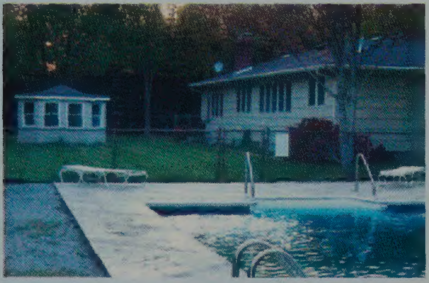


Open House • Sat., Dec. 24 • 1:30pm-3:30pm; Thurs., Dec. 29 • 11am-1pm
5 Duvall Rd., Hampton Bays. $449,000
Charming Ranch. Three-bedroom, 1-bath home sited on .32 acre, with 1-car detached garage and room for pool. Exclusive. #55617 Dir: Ponquogue Ave, Right on Bay Ave West, left on Duval.

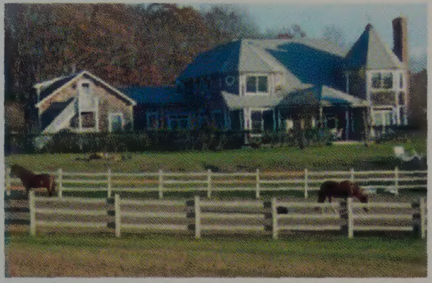


Open House • Wed., Dec. 28 • 2pm-4pm
36 Old Orchard Rd (off Noyac Road.), Southampton. $1,050,000
This 2 story shingled cape sits on .92 acres in a private tennis community. The home features 2,000 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, fireplace, finished basement, and beautifully landscaped backyard with pool. Exclusive. #31066

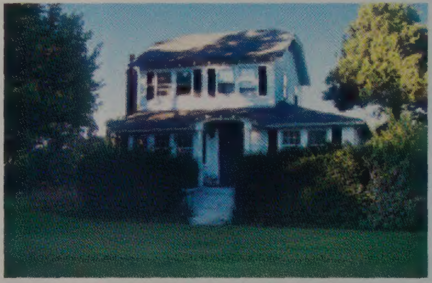
Open House • Thurs., Dec. 29 • 2pm-4pm; Sun., Jan 8 • 1pm-3pm
57 Nash Avenue, Flanders. $559,000
Charming waterfront 2-bedroom, 1-bath cottage with unobstructed views of Goose Creek & Peconic Bay. Exclusive. #57361 Dir: Right on 24N, Right on Longneck at U.S.A. Gas station, Right on Nash. Last house on right.



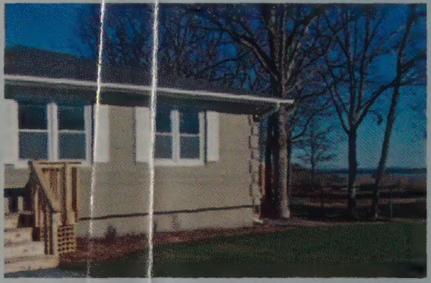
Open House • Thurs., Dec. 29 • 2pm-4pm; Sun., Jan. 1 • 12noon-3pm
850 Track Avenue, Cutchogue. $689,000
Immaculate 5-bedroom, 2.5-bath home with finished basement, on lush acre with pool. Exclusive. #55620. Dir: Right. 25A. Right on Stillwater Ave, straight to 850 Track Ave.



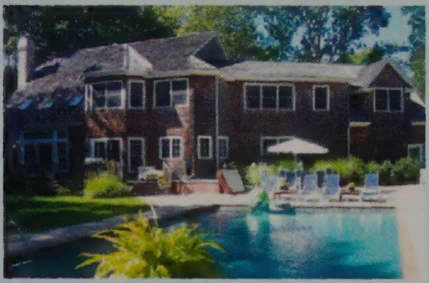
Gentleman's Horse Farm • Bridgehampton • $3,950,000 • Post modern 6-bedroom, 7.5-bath home, boasts 6,000 sq.ft., sited on 6.5 cleared acres of paddocks. Walk-in horse shed with 3 stalls, 2-car garage with staff quarters. Folio. #55380



Open House • Wed., Dec. 28 • 11am-1pm; Sat., Dec 31 • 11am-1pm
127 Inlet Rd., Southampton. $1,575,000
Income Producing Inn. Walk to Peconic Bay resort business, featuring 6 bedrooms, 1.5 baths in main house and 4 cottages totaling 12 bedrooms, 5.5 baths. Exclusive. #54962. Dir: Inlet Rd. West (at Lobster Inn).



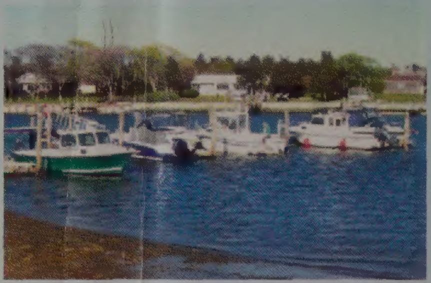
Open House • Thurs., Dec. 29 • 2pm-4pm; Sun., Jan 8 • 1pm-3pm
48 Moon Avenue, Flanders. $525,000
Newly renovated 3-bedroom, 2-bath ranch with water views of Peconic and Goose Creek. Exclusive. #57363. Dir: Right on 24N, Right on Longneck at U.S.A. gas station, Right on Moon Ave.



Exclusive Private Tennis Community • North Haven • $2,500,000 • Six-bedroom, 5.5-bath, 5,000 sq. ft. Post Modern with gourmet kitchen, 2.5 car garage, heated gunite pool & hot tub. Walk to water. Exclusive. #56128

Land • Shinnecock • $675,000 • Wooded 1.08 acre lot with possible Atlantic and bay views. Exclusive. #43948 Dir: West on Hill St. to Montauk Highway, approx. 3 miles, Right on Canoe Place Road.

274 Montauk Highway • Shinnecock • $495,000 • Land-1/2 acre lot with existing gunite pool. Exclusive. #51035 Dir: South of Southampton College on Montauk Highway.



Hampton Bays Yacht Club • Hampton Bays • $2,750,000 • Income producing marina sited on 1.4 acre property with 3 cottages & 34 boat slips, yileding over $180,000 annual income. Access to Atlantic Ocean or Peconic Bay. Zoned "waterfront recreational business". Exclusive. #55511

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